

# Rochester Numismatic Association Meeting Minutes



1917

	R. N. A. MEETINGS			Prepared By	Robert	E.	Doty	01/05/2004
PRESIDENTS TERM			1917	01/01/1917	12/31/1917			
PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL YEAR & MEDAL NUMBER					1917	6		
PRESIDENT					Fred	E.	Merritt	
VICE-PRESIDENT					Harry	H.	Yeager	
SECRETARY					Dr. Sigmund		Handler	
TREASURER					Claude	T.	Borradaile	
OTHER CLUB MEDALS			NONE					Quantity
1917 ANA Medal Bar, Badge & Ribbon made by Bastian Brothers Co., Rochester, N.Y.								150
Rochester, N.Y. August 25-26-27-28-29, 1917								
MEETING PLACE =	HOTEL ROCHESTER							
MEETINGS 1st.& 3rd.	Tuesday	Tuesday	Thursday					
	Month	Date	Date	Date				
	JANUARY	2	16 *	18	Special Mtg.			
* Banquet Location & # - Hotel Rochester - 5 th. Banquet								
	mtg. #	111	112	113	All Meetings Misnumbered in 1917			
	FEBRUARY	6	20					
	mtg. #	114	115					
	MARCH	6	20					
	mtg. #	116	117					
	APRIL	3	17					
	mtg. #	118	119					
	MAY	1	15 **	** Powers Building				
	mtg. #	120	121					
	JUNE	5 ***	19	*** B.R.&P.	Bldg.			
	mtg. #	122	123					
	JULY	10	24	12 = Outing				
	mtg. #	124	125					
	AUGUST	7	21	25 - 29				
	mtg. #	127	128	ANA Convention @ Memorial Art Gallery				
	SEPTEMBER	4	18					
	mtg. #	129	130					
	OCTOBER	2	16	10 = Outing				
	mtg. #	131	132					
	NOVEMBER	6	20					
	mtg. #	133	134					
	DECEMBER	4	18					
	mtg. #	135	136					
Merritt PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL STRUCK BY Bastian Brothers Co. , Rochester, N.Y.								
Joseph A. Koeb - Sculptor & Die Cutter								
		Metal	Medals Made	COST				
#ed 1 - 50	Lighter	Bronze	50	\$1.75				
		Gold Plated	1	Auctioned	Unique			

**1917 A.N.A. Convention**

**August 25-26-27-28-29, 1917**

**Rochester, NY**





Hotel Rochester

Tuesday evening, January 2, 1917.

(114<sup>th</sup> meeting) really

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Secretary



January 6, 1917

WHEREAS: It has pleased Almighty God to have taken from us  
Robert L. Moore, and

WHEREAS, Robert L. Moore was a member of the Rochester Numismatic  
Association and his genial personality has endeared him to us all,  
therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Rochester Numismatic Association, having  
learned with profound regret of the death of Robert L. Moore, desires  
to place on record its appreciation of his character and our love for  
him as a member of our Association, and that we extend to his widow  
and family our sympathy in their bereavement.

RESOLVED: That a memorial page be set aside in the minutes  
of our Association and a copy of the resolutions be sent to his widow  
and family.

Rochester Numismatic Association.



### Fifth Annual Dinner of the Rochester Numismatic Association

The fifth annual dinner of the Rochester Numismatic Association was held at the Hotel Rochester on Tuesday evening, January 16th, in the rooms of the Rochester Ad Club, which were loaned them for the occasion.

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The feature of the evening was the address given by Dr. Jeremiah Zimmerman, of the faculty of Syracuse University. Dr. Zimmerman occupies the only chair of numismatics in the United States, and is widely famed for his productive travels in the countries of the Old World.

"World Wide Travels" was the subject of the Doctor's talk, and although the hour was growing quite late by the time he was introduced, time was forgotten in listening to the interesting things he told, and, like "Oliver Twist", his audience wished for more.

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Motion carried that the Secretary's report be accepted as read and incorporated in the minutes of the meeting.

In the absence of Mr. Merritt, the Secretary read the Treasurer's report, and motion was carried that it also be incorporated in the minutes of this meeting.

After the business of the meeting was over Mr. King gave the members a pleasant surprise by inviting them into an adjoining room, where he had served to them a fine lunch, which was heartily enjoyed by all, and a vote of thanks was accorded Mr. King for his kindness to them on this occasion, as well as the many others preceding it.

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### Jubilee Reformation Medal, 1917.

The largest body of Lutherans on earth, the Missouri Synod, has had a Jubilee medal struck for the 1917 quatercentenary celebration of the Reformation. The medal is one of which they can justly be proud. The design for the obverse is a bust of Luther, copied from a medal struck by Durand in 1821 in commemoration of the Diet of Worms, the head of Luther being designed by De Paulis. The execution is in high relief, the drawing being the work of Robert B. Schiefner, and the chiseling and die-sinking the work of Wm. G. Bock, both among the foremost artists in their respective lines. Encircling the bust of Luther is the legend, "Martin Luther, October 31, 1517."



The reverse of the medal represents an angel, illustrating Revelation xiv. 6, 7: "And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, saying with a loud voice: Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come, and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters." These words of Scripture are a prophecy of the Reformation, and this angel has come to be quite an identification mark of the Missouri Synod. It is a well-known figure decorating their church paper, "The Lutheran." They have done well to embody this feature in their coin. The legend around the angel reads: "American Lutheran Celebration of the Quadricentennial of the Reformation, 1917." To the left below the center, are the words: "Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott" (A mighty fortress is our God), the battle hymn of Luther.

The coin is executed in two metals, one coin silver, \$1.50; the other a high grade of metal bronze, with antique finish, 50c. The stamping is the same in both editions. The difference in the price of the two editions reflects the intrinsic value of the metal. Each is packed in a suitable box, the container for the silver edition being a handsome velvet-padded case.

The Lutheran church has issued such medals every hundred years, in 1617, 1717, 1817, and here we have the Jubilee Medal for 1917.

Aug. ZITZMANN.

Morristown, Minn.

### Additions to Massachusetts Historical Society Collection.

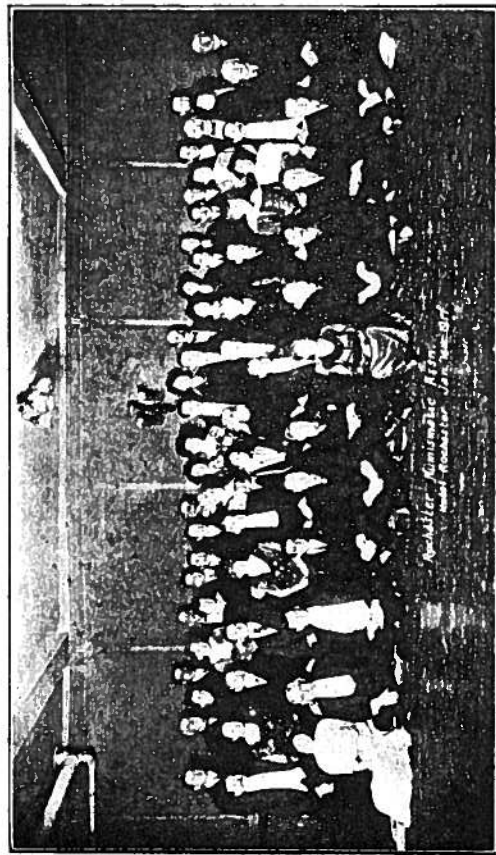
The cabinet keeper reports among recent gifts as follows: From James M. Curley, Mayor of Boston, the bronze medal presented by the city to the Massachusetts Regiment of the United States National Guard to commemorate the Mexican border service, 1916.

By purchase, a collection of medals, tokens and cards, including the engraved Franklin Medal used in the Boston schools from 1815 to 1850, at the time when the income from the Franklin Fund was insufficient to allow the bestowal of the regular Franklin Medals. This is known as the Subcommittee Medal. This copy was given to J. Leighton in 1818.

From Moorfield Storey, eight currency bills of the United Colonies, 1776 to 1779; eleven bills of Confederate money, 1861 to 1864.

J. DE L.

### R. N. A. Annual Dinner Photograph.



The accompanying photograph was taken at the Fifth Anniversary Dinner of the Rochester Numismatic Association on January 16 last, which was received too late for use in connection with the account of the dinner published in last month's issue. No further evidence is needed to show that the R. N. A. is a growing organization, and the social side of the association, which is no doubt responsible for much of its growth and popularity, is not neglected.

### Revised Description of 1617 Luther Jubilee Medal.

In our last issue there was given, in connection with the issue of a 1917 Luther Jubilee Anniversary medal, a description of the first centennial jubilee medal, in 1617. Mr. Wm. R. Weeks of Montclair, N. J., writes that the description is not accurate, and furnishes a revised and more complete description, as follows:

Obverse—Table, in centre foreground, on which is an open Bible inscribed *Biblia Sacra* (in script) V. D. M. L.; at left, Frederick "the Wise," left arm uplifted, right hand holding sword against arm and shoulder; at right, Luther, holding lighted candle (not a torch); above, name of God (in Hebrew) and rays of light. Inscription, V. D. B. V. M. DOMINI—MANET IN ALTER (N. V. M. omitted), near edge.

Reverse—At left, brick oven; at right, serpent uplifted on pole; in centre field, name of God (in Hebrew) and rays of light; above, EGYPTUS ET ISRAEL; below, ANNO IUBILAEI—1617.—C. M. Inscription, near edge, in two circles, WIE MOYSES ISRAEL GFUERT AVS DEM SCHWERN EGYPTISCHEN DIENST HAVS \* —ALSO HATT MARTIN LVTHERS VNS GFUERT AVS DRS BAPST FINS TERNS \* ("HAVS" and "TERNS" are in half-size lettering). The medal is 41 mm. in diameter.

Mr. Weeks would like to know who was "C. M." the designer, and where the medal was issued.

### The "E. R. R." Check.

Mr. E. E. Shephardson, Somerville, Mass., sends us a rubbing of a card and would like information as to its rarity and by whom issued. It is about the size of a small cent. Across the center of the obverse is "E. R. R.," with an old-style locomotive below. The reverse has the word "Check" across the center. Can any of our readers give the information he asks?





Rochester Numismatic Assn.  
Hotel Rochester Jan. 16th. 1917



Hotel Rochester  
Thursday evening,

*Jan 18 1917*

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Members present:      ~~MM~~ Messrs. Bunnell - W. H. Amberg - King - Loizeau -  
Koebe - Bauer - Maunovry - Horner - Wild - French - L. G.  
Amberg - Gillette - Stanley - Merritt - Yawger.

This being Mr. Merritt's first opportunity of acting as President, on account of his residing in Philadelphia at this time, - he stated that he wished to thank the members of the R. N. A. for the g honor they had conferred upon him by appointing him President. He also complimented Mr. F. B. King, our last year's president, for making 1916 the most successful year in the history of the R. N. A., and hoped that they would continue to progress during this year, stating that although he would be in Philadelphia most of the time, yet he would be with us in spirit on each meeting night.

A motion was made and carried that a vote of thanks be sent to the Rochester Ad Club for their kindness in allowing us the use of their beautiful rooms for the evening on Tuesday last, on the occasion of our Annual Dinner.

Motion also made and carried that a vote of thanks be extended the Bausch & Lomb Optical Company for loaning us, through Mr. Bunnell, one of their Balopticon Machines, for exhibition on a screen of medals and coins, this machine being particularly well adapted for this purpose.

Dr. French read a portion of "A Brief of the Medal, its Origin and Early Development", by Dr. T. L. Comparette, which was greatly enjoyed by all present and a vote of thanks was extended the Doctor for his effort. Mr. Merritt, who had brought the paper with him from Philadelphia, then announced that Dr. Comparette had presented it to the R. N. A. library.

A vote of thanks was extended Mr. Merritt for presenting to the R. N. A., for their exhibit at the Rochester Municipal Museum, a 1916 Philadelphia Mint new style quarter dollar, also a 1917 half dollar. ✓

Mr. G. J. Bauer electrified all present by announcing that he would present his collection of Washington Medals to the R. N. A. for our exhibit at the Rochester Municipal Museum. This collection is composed of about 125 medals of all sizes, representing a fine general collection of Washington Medals, which it has taken Mr. Bauer a good many years to collect. Although a vote of thanks was extended Mr. Bauer for his generous gift, this does not adequately express their appreciation of what he has done. ✓

Mr. Bauer also signified his intention of loaning the R. N. A. for the exhibit at the Municipal Museum, his entire collection of Chinese Coins, as soon as the City authorities provide a room and cases, properly safeguarded, where it will be safe to leave such a valuable collection.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, February 6, 1917.

Sigmund Handler

Secretary (Per H.H.Yawger)



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Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Following bill was ordered paid: To S. D. Burritt, \$8.00, and \$5.00 for a  
Three Dollar Gold Piece, a total of \$13.00, for watch fob presented to  
Mr. Murphy.

A letter from Mr. Carl Wurzbach was read, with regard to design for badge  
for the next A. N. A. Convention, and after considerable discussion it was  
decided that the Secretary write Mr. Wurzbach for more details as to how this  
matter should be handled. This Association wishes to go on record that on  
account of the next A. N. A. Convention being held in Rochester, they will  
be willing to pay one-half or any proportion of the expense of the badge  
which may be desired by the A. N. A., and will be pleased to submit a design  
subject to the approval of the Board of Governors.

A letter was also read from Mr. Judson Brenner, in which he explained that it  
was his intention to be present at the last Annual Dinner of the R. N. A.,  
but that something unexpected turned up at the last minute which made it  
impossible for him to come. His letter stated also that he had arranged with  
the telegraph company to deliver a telegram to the R. N. A. to be read at the  
dinner, but in some unaccountable manner the telegram was not delivered.

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Visitors: Messrs. Burling and Fyle.

The matter of a badge for the American Numismatic Association Convention, to be held in Rochester this year, was discussed and Mr. Merritt's suggestion was adopted, i. e., that Bastian Brothers Company of this city submit a sketch for the medal, showing on the obverse the Falls of the Genesee River and for the reverse show the same design as we use on our anniversary medal. The matter was accordingly turned over to Messrs. Koeb and Borradaile for attention.

Motion made and carried that a Publicity Committee be appointed for the A. N. A. Convention, and Dr. French was made Chairman, to act with Messrs. King, Gillette and Bauer.

The Rochester Numismatic Association Fifth Anniversary medal was on exhibition ready for delivery to all present,. The medals were struck in silver and bronze, and show the Portrait of past President F. B. King, and every member at the meeting was delighted to purchase one of the medals to add to his collection.

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Sigmund Handler,

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MARCH, 1917.

THE NUMSIMATIST

### 1916 Anniversary Medal of Rochester Numismatic Association.

We reproduce herewith the 1916 Anniversary Medal of the Rochester Numismatic Association, showing the portrait of its fifth President, Mr. Fred B. King.



The dies for this beautiful specimen of medallic art were cut by Joseph A. Koeb, a member of the R. N. A., and all who have seen the medal unite in saying that Mr. Koeb has surpassed himself in this piece of work. Mr. Koeb is the artist who engraved the four previous anniversary medals of the Rochester Numismatic Association, each and every one of which is worthy of a conspicuous place in any collection of medals.

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Members present: Messrs. Woolsey - L. G. Amberg - Borradaile - King - Horner - Kaufman - Bostwick - Yawger - Handler - Maunovry - Bauer - Gillette - Young - Tillotson - W. H. Amberg - Simmonds - Loizeau - Plumb - Koeb.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Motion made and carried by L. G. Amberg that we present with our compliments one of the R. N. A. 1916 Anniversary medals displaying portrait of Fred B. King, to each of the following: The Rochester Municipal Museum, the American Numismatic Society of New York, and Dr. J. M. Henderson of Columbus, Ohio.

The question was next taken up, of where would be the best place to exhibit coins during the Convention: The City would allow us the use of Convention Hall, where the exhibit was placed at our last Convention in Rochester. We also have a new Memorial Art Gallery here, which would be an excellent place provided we could get consent to use it, the only objection being its location, for it is about fifteen minutes' walk from the center of the city. Mr. King very kindly volunteered to see those in charge of the building to find if arrangements could be made for holding the Convention in that building.

A letter from Mr. Carl Wurtzbach, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the A. N. A., was received and read, in regard to the A. N. A. Convention Badge. With the letter was a sketch of design submitted by Whitehead & Hoag Company which they offer for this year's convention badge. The design was inspected and finally turned over to the Medal Committee, with a few suggestions which might be worked out.

Mr. Woolsey read a telegram which was addressed to him at the Hotel Rochester, sent by Mr. Judson Brenner to be delivered the night of the Annual Dinner, January 16th last, but which was not delivered to him by the telegraph company until about two weeks after that date. The telegram was to the effect that Mr. Brenner regretted his inability to attend the dinner, although he had expected to do so; he also paid the R. N. A. a few compliments, which were very pleasing to the members.

Application for membership in the R. N. A. was read, from Mr. Geo. Haringx of 97 Aberdeen Street, proposed by Mr. Maunovry. Mr. Haringx being known to most of the members, his application was turned over to the membership Committee, who passed on it at once and upon being put to a vote, Mr. Haringx was duly elected a member.

Meeting adjourned to March 30, 1917

Sigmund Handler

Secretary



Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, March 20, 1917

117th Meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association called to order by  
Vice President H. H. Yawger.

Members present: Messrs. Borradaile - Koebe - Stanley - Kaufman - Plumb -  
Maunovry - Horner - Bauer - L. G. Amberg - W. H. Amberg -  
Yawger - Handler - Raymond - Loizeau - Gillette - French -  
Simmonds - Bunnell.

Mr. Kaufman displayed his very interesting collection of foreign coins,  
representing nearly every European country and city. There were about 3,000  
pieces in the collection.

Owing to the absence of Mr. King, there was no report as to whether the  
Association could obtain consent to use the Memorial Art Gallery during  
the A. N. A. Convention, and this matter was accordingly postponed until  
next meeting.

Bastian Brothers Company of this city submitted two designs for the A. N. A.  
Convention Badge, which were turned over to the Medal Committee.

After the meeting an auction sale of coins was held.

Meeting adjourned to April 3, 1917.

Sigmund Handler

Secretary



Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, April 3, 1917

118th Meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association called to order by  
Vice President H. H. Yawger.

Members present: Messrs. Horner - Maunovry - Loizeau - L. G. Amberg -  
Yawger - Handler - Bauer - Borradaile - Williams -  
Stanley - Woolsey - Haringx - Raymond - W. H. Amberg -  
Gillette.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Following applications for membership in the R. N. A. were proposed by  
Mr. Stanley and Mr. Maunovry:

Harry R. Darling, 436 Seneca Parkway

Earl S. Burling, 20 Winthrop Street.

The applications were acted on at once by the Membership Committee, and they  
were duly elected.

Motion made by Mr. Loizeau and carried, that a Committee of all the Ex-Presidents  
of the Association be appointed, to make all arrangements for the A. N. A.  
Convention to be held in Rochester this year.

Practically the entire evening was spent in discussing Convention matters.  
The designs for Convention badge were inspected, and one of them was decided on  
provided it is not too expensive. It was also decided that the coin exhibit  
for the Convention be shown at the Memorial Art Gallery, if we may have the  
use of it on the dates set for the Convention.

Meeting adjourned to April 17, 1917.

Sigmund Handler

Secretary



Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, April 17, 1917

119th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association, called to order by Vice President H. H. Yawger.

Members present: Messrs. French - Woolsey - Haringx - Tillotson - Horner - Borradaile - Ballard - Putnam - Plumb - Simmonds - Gillette - Bauer - Maunovry - L. G. Amberg - Savage - Handler - Staneley - Yawger - Woodbury - Koeb - Enrich - W. H. Amberg.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Bill of R. M. Swinburne & Co. for \$7.50 for printing was ordered paid.

Circular letter from F. G. Duffield, Editor of The Numismatist, was read, with regard to publishing in the Numismatist an article Mr. H. D. Allen of Boston giving historical data on Confederate paper money, with illustrations, and it was voted that \$10.00 be sent Mr. Duffield to help defray the expense of publishing same.

Mr. E. D. Putnam announced that he had been advised, through Mr. Hurdle, Superintendent of the Memorial Art Gallery, that the Board of Managers at their meeting last week gladly gave their consent to our using the Art Gallery for the American Numismatic Convention to be held August 25th to 29th. This will be an excellent location of the exhibition, and there is a lecture room in the building which can be used to hold the meetings. The Art Gallery is about fifteen or twenty minutes' walk from the center of the city, and the University Avenue car line runs directly past the building, making it very easy of access. Messrs. Putnam, King and Yawger were appointed a Committee to see Mr. Hurdle and make any necessary arrangements.

The members were much pleased to have with them at the meeting Mr. J. C. Woodbury, who has been in California all winter and just returned a few days before the meeting.

Meeting adjourned to May 1, 1917.

Sigmund Handler

Secretary



Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, May 1, 1917

120th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association called to order by Vice President H. H. Yawger.

Members present: Messrs. Horner - Yawger - Stanley - Emrich - Maunovry - Savage - Woodbury - L. G. Amberg - Handler - Bauer - Bpradaile - King - W. H. Amberg - Burling - French - Koeb - Loizeau - Bunnell - Gillette.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The design for the A. N. A. Convention badge submitted by Bastian Brothers was selected and will be forwarded to the Board of Governors of the American Numismatic Association for their approval.

The members were greatly pleased to have Mr. King with them again, he having returned from a trip South. Mr. King gave a short talk on his travels, telling of a visit he had had with our President, Mr. Merritt in Philadelphia, where Convention matters were talked over and several suggestions made.

Dr. French made a motion which was carried, that a letter of congratulation be sent to Mr. Wayte Raymond upon his joining the ranks of the Benedicts.

A motion was made by Mr. W. H. Amberg, and carried, that the next meeting of the Association be held at the Rochester Municipal Museum, as Mr. Putnam, the Curator of the Museum, is desirous of having all the members inspect the new style of cases for the coin collection, it being the intention of the Museum authorities to order more cases, and Mr. Putnam wishes to be sure that the selection made will be pleasing to the Association.

Dr. French exhibited his collection of 1794 Cents.

Meeting adjourned to May 15, 1917.

Sigmund Handler

Secretary



Office of J. C. Woodbury,  
311 Powers Building,  
May 15, 1917

121st Meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association called to order by  
Vice President H. H. Yawger.

Members present: Messrs. Woodbury - Maunovry - Horner - King - L. G. Amberg -  
Plumb - Gillette - Burling - Savage - Yawger - Handler -  
W. H. Amberg - Raymond - Borradaile - Stanley - Tillotson.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Motion made and carried that M. A. Kondol~~k~~ be dropped from the R. N. A.  
membership roll on account of o/payment of dues.  
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On account of Mr. Putnam being called away from the city unexpectedly, the  
meeting could not be held at the Rochester Municipal Museum, as planned,  
and Mr. J. C. Woodbury kindly offered the use of his office for the evening,  
there being a Convention here in Rochester occupying the room at the Hotel  
where the R. N. A. Meetings were usually held. Motion made and carried that a  
vote of thanks be extended Mr. Woodbury for his kindness.

Letter received from Mr. Duffield, Editor of the Numismatist, acknowledging  
receipt of the contribution of \$10.00 made by this Association towards the  
publication in the Numismatist of the paper on Confederate Paper Money.

Mr. Duffield also made several suggestions in his letter regarding Convention  
matters.

Meeting adjourned to June 5, 1917.

Sigmund Handler

Secretary



Rochester Municipal Museum  
Tuesday evening, June 5, 1917

122nd meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association called to order by Vice President H. H. Yawger.

Members present: Messrs. Putnam, Woodbury, Borradaile, Plumb, Horner, L. G. Amberg, Yawger, Handler, Burling, W. H. Amberg, Koeb, Maunovry, Kaufman, Savage, King, Gillette, Loizeau, Stanley, Bernstein, Simmonds.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Acting upon suggestion of President Merritt, in a letter from him, a motion was made and carried that the R. N. A. buy, with money in the Treasury, one \$50.00 U. S. Liberty Bond, doing their bit in answer to their country's call.

A selection was made of design for the A. N. A. Convention badge and an order for one hundred and fifty of them was given to the Bastian Brothers Company of this city.

With further reference to listing the Rochester Numismatic Association in the City Directory: Mr. W. H. Amberg kindly consented to call upon the Directory people and see that this was attended to.

The Year Book of the New York Numismatic Club for 1917 was received and a vote of thanks was extended to the Club for their kindness in sending this for the library.

A motion was made and carried that the President appoint a Committee to act as Finance Committee for the A. N. A. Convention next August, and the following were named: Messrs. King, Woodbury and Yawger.

Mr. ~~Curator~~ Putnam, Curator of the Rochester Municipal Museum, gave a little talk about cases for the R. N. A. exhibit at the Museum. Mr. Putnam has just returned from New York where he had attended a Convention of Museum Curators, and is very anxious that our exhibit here be made as complete and shown in the best manner possible. After Mr. Putnam had described the different styles and sizes of cases to contain the coins, it was decided that we select a flat case with an inch-and-a-half rise at the back and glass about 1½ in. high. There is a case now in the museum like the one selected, but it has a black, ebony finish and the opinion of the members was that the coins would show to much better advantage on a light grey background, especially the copper medals and coins. A Committee was appointed, consisting of Messrs. Koeb, W. H. Amberg and George Bauer to select the best color for covering the bottom of the cases.

The members spent considerable time looking over the exhibit at the Museum and several generous offers were made for the betterment of same, by way of replacing some coins with better specimens. Mr. Putnam said that the exhibit attracted a great deal of attention and he thought it was the best collection he had seen in any museum he had ever gone through.

A. N. A. Convention matters were talked over and a plan outlined which will be published in full in the Numismatist. We will be able to take care of any number who will come and are in hopes that this will be the best-attended Convention ever held by the A. N. A.



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A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Putnam for his kindness in allowing the R. N. A. to have the use of the Museum for their meeting.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday evening, July 10th.

Sigmund Handler

Secretary



B. R. & P. Building  
Tuesday Evening, June 19, 1917

123rd meeting called to order, Mr. L. G. Amberg presiding.

Members present: Messrs. Plumb - Savage - Koeb - Horner - Borradaile -  
L. G. Amberg - W. H. Amberg - Maunovry - Burling -  
Bernstein - Young - Tillotson - Kaufman - Yawger -  
Gillette - Bauer - French.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Mr. W. H. Amberg reported that he attended to having the Rochester Numismatic Association, with officers' names, listed in the Rochester city directory.

On Thursday, June 28th, the R. N. A. will have its first automobile outing for this year, leaving Rochester about 9 A.M. and returning before dark. Lunch, dinner and route arrangements will be made by the Committee in charge.

Arrangements for the A. M. A. Convention were discussed, and our plans were gone over in detail and are now practically completed. Our only concern now is to have a large attendance at the Convention.

Meeting adjourned to July 10, 1917.

H. H. Yawger

Acting Secretary



Hotel Rochester,  
Tuesday, July 10, 1917

124th Meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association called to order by Vice President H. H. Yawger.

Members present: Messrs. W. H. Amberg - Yawger - Borradaile - L. G. Amberg - Nientimp - Maunovry - Stanley - Plumb - Burling - Handler - Tillotson - King - Savage - Bauer - Horner - Woolsey - Bunnell - French - Gillette - Simmonds.

A copy of List of Members of the A. N. A., neatly bound in leather covers and stamped in gold "R. N. A." was received from the Springfield Coin Club and will be placed in our library. A vote of thanks was extended the Springfield Coin Club.

The automobile trip planned by the R. N. A. for June 28th was postponed to July 12th and all members and their friends are invited.

Meeting adjourned to July 24, 1917.

Sigmund Handler

Secretary







Hotel Rochester  
July 24, 1917

125th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association called to order by  
President F. E. Merritt.

Members present: Messrs. Yawger - L. G. Amberg - W. H. Amberg - Maunovry -  
Horner - Stanley - Handler - Raymond - Tillotson - Burling -  
Merritt - Gillette - Woolsey - Bauer - Nientimp - King -  
Simmonds - French.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved -

Report was read by our Secretary of our automobile outing on July 12th, a ride  
of about 130 miles. The party left Rochester at 9.30 A.M. and returned at  
10.30 P.M. Seventeen members took the trip and all had a most delightful  
time. Mr. Bunnell showed proofs at the meeting of the photograph taken at  
Willowbend Inn.

Mr. Merritt, being in town for a few days on business, presided at the meeting  
and it certainly was a pleasure to have him with us, even though only for one  
meeting. Mr. Merritt expects to spend his vacation in Rochester and will be  
here during the Convention.

Convention plans and arrangements were gone over at the meeting, and completed  
and if we can get the crowd here, a good time is promised them.

Meeting adjourned to August 7th.

Sigmund Handler

Secretary



Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, August 7, 1917

*Misremembered  
126th but really 129*

127th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association called to order by  
President F. E. Merritt.

Members present: Messrs. Koeb - Bostwick - W. H. Amberg - L. G. Amberg -  
Borradaile - Nientimp - Yawger - Handler - Kaufman -  
Mauvovry - Horner - Merritt - Woolsey - Gillette -  
Tillotson - Loizeau - Bunnell - Bauer - French - Burling.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

W. H. Amberg reported that the R. N. A. would be listed in the Rochester  
City Directory, also the blue book, with officers' names, place of  
meeting, etc.

The entire evening was given over to discussion of Convention arrangements,  
which are rapidly being perfected.

At the close of the meeting, President Merritt announced with considerable  
pride that he is grandfather of a boy, the son of his daughter Ruth, who  
is known to most of the members of the Association. Although Mrs. Sage  
has her home in Canada, the boy first saw the light of day in Rochester,  
as his mother wants him to be a good American citizen.

Meeting adjourned to August 21, 1917.

Sigmund Handler

Secretary



Hotel Rochester,  
Tuesday, Aug. 21, 1917.

128th Meeting called to order - Vice-President Yawger presiding.

Members present: W.H.Amberg - L. G. Amberg - Yawger - Ballard-Kaufman - Plumb - Raymond - Maunovry - Stanley - Koeb - Handler-Clarke - Borradaile - Woolsey - Loizean - Tillotson - French - Bernstein - Horner.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The entire evening was given to the discussion of Convention matters.

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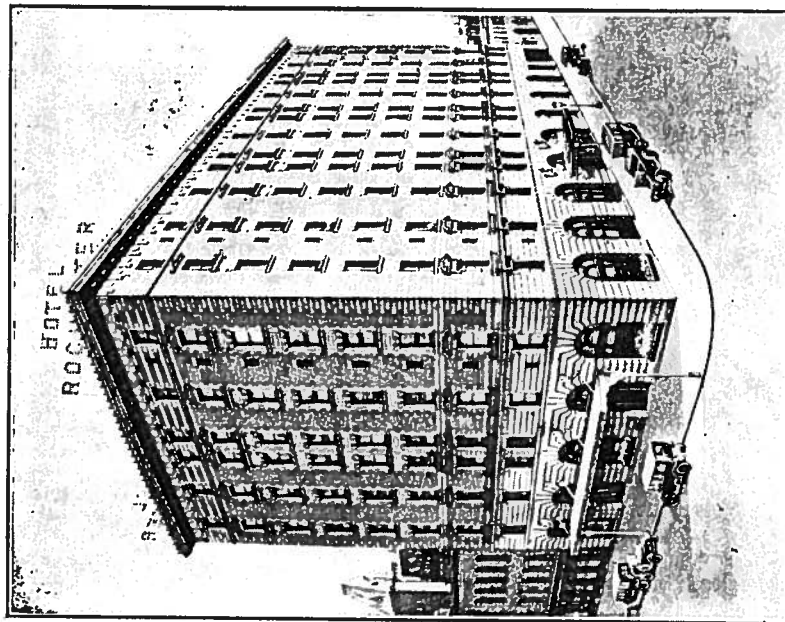
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### On to Rochester, August 25-29.

Those who attended the 1912 Convention of the American Numismatic Association in Rochester, N. Y., will not need a pressing invitation to be present at this year's convention in that city. The recollection of the hearty welcome extended and the different enjoyable social features provided by the Rochester Numismatic Association will be sufficient to make those who attended the former convention want to be on hand early this year.

In 1912 the Rochester local society of numismatists was a comparatively new organization, though it had a fairly large membership. In the five years that have passed it has added many new members, and is perhaps the largest of the local societies. It is a thoroughly democratic organization, and believes that the serious side of numismatics should be leavened with numerous social functions and participation in the things of life that help to keep men young. Its growth and success as a society is probably largely due to that reason.



HOTEL ROCHESTER, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

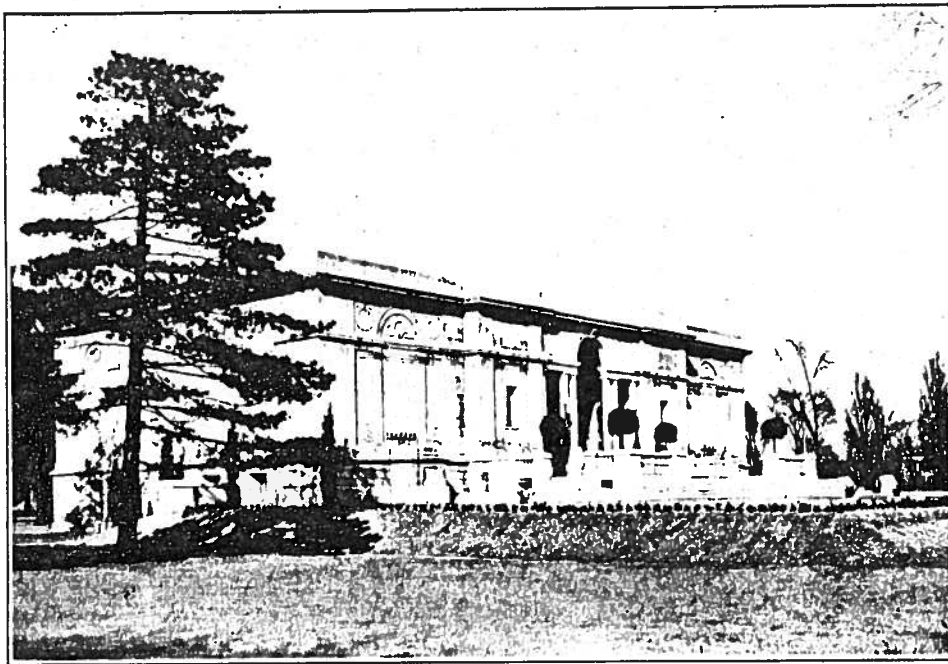
But the R. N. A. wants not only those who were present in 1912 to come again in 1917, but as many as possible who were not able to come then, or who have become members since, to come this year and test their hospitality. They are providing for a large attendance, and they should not be disappointed.

The following outline of the program for the Convention has been furnished by the Rochester Branch:

The Rochester Numismatic Association (Branch 2 of the A. N. A.) cordially invites each and every member of the American Numismatic Association to attend the Twenty-sixth Annual Convention of the A. N. A., to

be held August 25th to 29th in our city, and pledge ourselves to every effort for your comfort and happiness while with us.

Convention Headquarters will be the Hotel Rochester, corner of Main street West and Plymouth avenue. This is a high-class hotel, and everything possible will be done to make the visitors comfortable during their stay. Rates, \$1.50 per day and upwards. The hotel has 309 rooms, single or en suite, and is run on the European plan.



MEMORIAL ART GALLERY, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

The exhibit of collections and meetings of the Convention will be at the Memorial Art Gallery, on University avenue. The building is fireproof, beautifully lighted, and an ideal place for the display of coins to the best possible advantage. It will be open all day on Saturday, August 25th, to allow members to install their exhibits. Please favor us by bringing a part of your collection. We want to make this the main feature of the Convention.

In the evening a smoker for members will be held at our headquarters, the Hotel Rochester, and a theatre party has been arranged for the ladies, whose welfare will be looked after by the wives of the members of the R. N. A.

Sunday, August 26th.—An automobile trip through Highland and



Genesee Valley Parks and to Avon. will be taken, where dinner will be served, returning in the evening by another route.

Monday, August 27th.—10 A. M.—A business meeting of the Association at the Memorial Art Gallery. 12 M.—The Convention photograph ride will be taken around the finest city in the United States (except yours), ending with a dinner at the Hotel Rochester.

Tuesday, August 28th.—10 A. M.—Business meeting. In the afternoon we will go by trolley to Ontario Beach, on Lake Ontario, thence via boat to Sea Breeze, thence to Newport on Irondequoit Bay, where a white fish and chicken dinner will be served, returning by boat to Glen Haven and trolley to Rochester.

Wednesday, August 29th.—10 A. M.—Business meeting. No definite arrangements have been made for the afternoon, but this will be taken care of later.

We hope you will come early and stay until the benediction.

We expect to follow the very good precedent established by the Springfield Numismatic Association, in furnishing each member a book at a moderate price, which will entitle the holder to all of the entertainments provided. Automobiles will be furnished by the R. N. A. members and their friends.

We sincerely hope that when you pack your grip and start for home you will vote that each dollar spent on the trip has paid you a big dividend in good times, good cheer and good fellowship.

## Numismatists Aid the Red Cross.

The following is from the *Bangor (Maine) Daily Commercial* of recent date:

"Mr. Walter B. Gould of Bangor has made a unique proposition to assist in raising funds for the Red Cross war fund. He has contributed a large collection of old United States copper cents, to be used in the following manner:

"He will place a number of these old cents in drug stores, banks and other places in the city, who in turn will sell them for ten cents each. Mr. Gould agrees that the total sum received shall be given to the Red Cross Society; he agrees not only to give all the proceeds, but to arrange all the details connected with this arrangement and that labor is by no means slight. He agrees to supply these cents to meet the demand up to the extent of five thousand, and in addition agrees, if others will contribute similar cents, to take charge of their sale, returning to the owners what are not sold.

"This will give everyone, and especially children perhaps, a chance to get a memento of the first coinage of the United States—an emblem to show that he or she has contributed to this war fund—and in addition will help along in this tremendous effort to raise \$100,000 in this county.

"Mr. Gould feels that there are many whose income is small, but would like to give a small sum, perhaps only ten cents, for this purpose, but yet would hardly feel like going to the treasurer and offering his ten cents. For that contingency he has thought out this scheme, and no one need hesitate to buy one or more of these old United States pennies.

"Many of these coins have a value of more than one cent, depending on the date thereof, as old coins sought by collectors, so it will be seen that Mr. Gould's proposition not only shows a generous contribution on his part, but also presents a method of raising \$500 for the Red Cross from those who are only able to give small sums. It is believed that there are many people who could only be reached by some such scheme as Mr. Gould has devised. It is hoped to have these cents ready for sale by Tuesday morning, June 19."

The J. W. Stowell Printing Co. of Federalburg, Md., known throughout the East as the "Numismatic Printers," is selling flag stickers for the benefit of the Red Cross. Our readers are requested to note their attractive advertisement in this issue.

## Prices Realized at Mehl's Sale of May 15.

Following are the prices realized on some of the lots at the sale of B. Max Mehl, Fort Worth, Tex., on May 15, 1917:

Jackson Cents. Low No. 7. Fine .....	10.60	1799. Very fair .....	12.25
Low 17. Very fine .....	4.65	1804. Very good .....	11.50
Low 27. Extremely fine .....	12.50	1804. Perfect die. Fair .....	8.50
Low 43. Uncirculated .....	25.00	1825. Extremely fine .....	4.10
Low 55. Uncirculated .....	3.10	1828. Practically uncirculated .....	3.10
Low 70. Practically unc. ....	16.50	1839 over '36. Very good .....	4.20
Low 77. Fine .....	12.10	Silver Dollars. 1836, Brilliant proof. P. Mint .....	15.00
Low 89. Very good .....	5.50	1852. Plugged over head. P. Mint .....	13.25
Low 93. Fine for coin .....	12.00	1858. Perfect brilliant proof. P. Mint .....	30.00
Low 108. Strictly very good ..	15.00	1871. Wide CC. Ex. fine .....	29.25
Low 128. Very fine .....	24.00	Half Dollars. 1794. Good. P. Mint .....	3.50
Low 150. About fine .....	20.00	1801. Very fine. P. Mint .....	5.00
Low 156. Very good .....	9.00	1803. Ex. Fine. P. Mint .....	2.30
Low 164. Very good .....	3.10	1807. Practically uncirculated. P. Mint .....	2.30
Low 176. Very good .....	10.00	1836. Milled edge. P. Mint. Practically uncirculated ..	3.85
Gold Proof Set, 1907 .....	55.00	1856. New Orleans Mint. Uncirculated .....	4.20
\$5.00 Gold, 1795. Fine .....	22.25	1873. Carson City Mint. Very fine .....	3.20
\$5.00 1802 over '01. Very fine ..	9.00	Confederate Restrike Half Dollar, 1861 O. Mint. Unc. ....	9.00
\$5.00 1803 over '02. Unc. ....	10.50	Quarter Dollars. 1796. P. Mint. Brilliant proof .....	25.00
\$5.00 1804. Very fine .....	9.50	1891. New Orleans Mint. Ex. fine .....	3.40
\$5.00 1807. Fine .....	9.25	1859. San Francisco Mint. Very good .....	2.10
\$5.00 1814. Fine .....	12.50		
\$5.00 1818. Ex. Fine .....	15.25		
\$5.00 1855 C. Mint. Unc. ....	9.00		
Gold Dollar. 1903, Portrait of McKinley .....	5.60		
Rare Calif. Gold Half Dollar, 1853. Uncirculated .....	5.00		
India. Gold Mohur. About uncirculated .....	8.30		
Cents. 1793. Nearly fine ....	12.00		

## American Numismatic Society Proceedings Published.

The American Numismatic Society has just issued and distributed a book containing the proceedings of the Society from February 3, 1916, to January 20, 1917, including a list of the officers and members. The proceedings have heretofore been published in the *Journal of Numismatics*, the Annual of the Society, and in departing from this custom and issuing them separately the Publication Committee says: "In presenting our proceedings separate from our *Journal* we feel we are taking a step in advance, which is in accord with the splendid forward movement that permeates our Society from top to bottom. The *Journal* is often delayed by numerous causes, but the reports of the year's activities are always available shortly after the annual meeting, and they have much more power and value when distributed promptly."

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## EDITORIAL.

The Coming A. N. A. Convention.

The conventions of the American Numismatic Association are always enjoyable gatherings. They furnish occasion for the members to fraternize, to exchange information and opinions, and for those located far from numismatic centers, who seldom see any coins but their own, they afford opportunities to view an unusual display of numismatic specimens. It has become a custom for many to make their vacation period cover the time of the convention, for those deeply interested in the subject find that a part of their vacation spent in social intercourse with others similarly interested, when all thoughts of business have been laid aside, gives them even more enjoyment than a week or two spent at the seashore or in the

mountains. The coming convention at Rochester promises to be the equal in every way of previous ones, perhaps better, and a large attendance is hoped for. Each convention brings at least a few new members, most of whom make it plain when departing that each succeeding convention will find them on hand. Whatever your arrangements may be for this year's vacation, see that your itinerary includes "Rochester, N. Y., August 25-29."

On account of the A. N. A. Convention the September issue of THE NUMISMATIST will be issued a few days earlier than usual. Correspondents and advertisers are requested to send in matters for publication as early as possible.

## Letters to the Editor.

Varieties in Virginia Treasury Notes.

To the Editor of THE NUMISMATIST:

I was very much interested in Mr. Kohler's notes on new varieties of paper money in the June issue, and can verify the statement that the T. C. C. & Co. watermark comes on the \$10 Virginia, 1862, notes. I have it in vertical position on A, B, C and D.

I also have the \$5 Virginia, 1862, on paper watermarked C. S. A. in block letters and on A, B, C and D. This, from my experience, is the rarest Virginia Treasury note with the C. S. A. watermark.

Bradbeer's Nos. 42 and 43 do not exist. This watermark only comes at end of sheet, horizontally, and can only be had on an A or D note. I have sheets—

No. 27626 with watermark on A note, B, C, D not watermarked.

No. 27627 with watermark on D note, A, B, C not watermarked.

No. 27628 with watermark on D note, A, B, C not watermarked.

No. 27629 with watermark on A note, B, C, D not watermarked.

The \$10 Virginia Treasury note, 1861, also comes on very thick parchment paper, making two sorts of A, B, C and D, as the regular note is on bond paper about one-third as thick. Same remarks in regard to the \$5 Virginia, 1861, notes. The Virginia Treasury notes of 1861 are scarcer than most collectors think.

The most remarkable Virginia Treasury notes in my collection are sheets of reconstructed \$10 Virginia Treasury, dated 1861 and numbered 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864. I also have the same note No. 1883 lettered A, B, C, and No. 1883, error in number changed to 1882, A, B, C.

Very truly yours,

C. E. WATERS.

Philadelphia, Pa., July 5, 1917.

An Echo of the Lincoln-Douglas Campaign.

To the Editor of THE NUMISMATIST:

Page 289 of the July number of THE NUMISMATIST contains an illustration of a political meeting on Fifth St., Market Square, Cincinnati, O., Sept. 17, 1859, held in honor of Mr. Lincoln. Mr. Lincoln and Stephen A. Douglas that summer were canvassing the West in the interest of the "Kansas Question or Squatter Sovereignty." Both of them delivered addresses that month in Cincinnati. I attended both meetings and remember the platforms from which both of them spoke. Mr. Douglas was of short stature, and Mr. Lincoln just the reverse, who was tall, lean and lank, of mountaineer appearance. Mr. Douglas was an aesthetic, constitutional speaker, using good English to convey to his hearers the good points in his argument. Mr. Lincoln, in replying to his opponent's argument, used cross-roads phrases to illustrate his points, which to his hearers was very amusing and brought forth shouts of laughter. I also heard Mr. Lincoln deliver his first inaugural address at Washington.

Yours very truly,

WM. L. RITTER.

Reisterstown, Md., July 14, 1917.



## A. N. A. CONVENTION, ROCHESTER, N. Y., AUGUST 25-29.

Arrangements have been practically completed by the Rochester Numismatic Association for the coming A. N. A. Convention in that city, August 25-29. The various committees having in charge the details of the gathering announce that everything is in readiness, and that no matter how large the attendance may be, ample accommodations will be provided. On another page of this issue will be found a formal invitation from the Rochester Association to all members of the A. N. A. to attend the Convention.

An outline of the program has been published in previous issues, but in order that all may be familiar with it, we reprint a summary.

Headquarters will be at the Hotel Rochester, corner of Main Street West and Plymouth Avenue, the same hotel that provided accommodations at the convention in 1912. The rates announced are as follows:

Room with running water, single, \$1.50; double, \$2.50 per day.  
Room with shower bath, single, \$2.00; double, \$3.00 per day.  
Room with tub bath, single, \$2.50; double, \$3.50 per day.

Booklets will be furnished on application to the manager. Rooms may be reserved in advance by direct communication with the manager of the hotel, or through H. H. Yawger, 78 Linden Street, Rochester, N. Y.

The exhibit and business sessions will be held at the Memorial Art Gallery, on University Avenue. The building is fireproof, splendidly lighted, and an ideal place for the display of coins. It will be open all day on Saturday, August 25, to allow members to install their exhibits. The Rochester Association announces that it has already received several applications for space for exhibits. The number of cases is limited, and those intending to make exhibits are requested to notify Mr. Yawger of the amount of space they will require. The exhibits of the A. N. A. conventions have long been noted for the variety, rarity, preservation and historical interest of the specimens, and those to be displayed at the coming convention will be fully up to the established standard. Those who attended the Rochester convention in 1912 will remember the large attendance and the extraordinary interest in the exhibit shown by the Rochester public. The growth in membership of the local association is no doubt due in a large measure to the interest in numismatics aroused by the exhibit at the former convention. Every member who attends is requested to make an exhibit, no matter how small. The larger exhibits will of course be equally welcome. But everyone should be represented.

A feature of this year's convention will be an auction sale of coins on Monday evening, August 27, by the U. S. Coin Co. of New York City. About 400 lots will be offered. Only at three previous conventions has an opportunity been offered to attend an auction sale in connection with the convention—Columbus, Ohio, 1907; Philadelphia, 1908, and New York City, 1910.

The program arranged by the local association provides for a number of enjoyable social features. On Saturday evening, August 25, a smoker arranged for the ladies, whose welfare will be looked after by the wives of the members of the R. N. A.

Sunday, August 26th.—An automobile trip through Highland and Genesee Valley Parks and to Avon, will be taken, where dinner will be served, returning in the evening by another route.

Monday, August 27th.—10 A. M.—A business meeting of the Association at the Memorial Art Gallery. 12 M.—The Convention photograph will be taken on the steps of the Art Gallery. In the evening an automobile ride will be taken around the finest city in the United States (except yours), ending with a dinner at the Hotel Rochester.

Tuesday, August 28th.—10 A. M.—Business meeting. In the afternoon a trip by trolley to Ontario Beach, on Lake Ontario, thence via boat to Sea Breeze, thence to Newport on Irondequoit Bay, where a white fish and chicken dinner will be served, returning by boat to Glen Haven and trolley to Rochester.

Wednesday, August 29th.—10 A. M.—Business meeting. No definite arrangements have been made for the afternoon, but this will be taken care of later.

The business sessions of the Convention will be of special interest this year. For the first time in several years the election of officers will take place on the floor of the Convention, in accordance with the change in the by-laws, published in last month's issue of THE NUMISMATIST. Members are requested to become familiar with the new method.

It is expected that several papers on numismatic subjects will be read at the different sessions. The subjects of these papers have not yet been announced.

## Prices Realized at Mehl's Sale of June 12.

The following are the prices realized on some of the lots at the sale of B. Max Mehl, Fort Worth, Tex., on June 12, 1917:

1795. \$10.00 Gold. Practically uncirculated	1864. \$1.00 Gold. Bright, unc.	23.25
1796. \$10.00 Gold. Extremely fine	1865. \$1.00 Gold. Brilliant semi-proof	18.00
1799. \$10.00 Gold. Extremely fine, nearly uncirculated	1867. \$1.00 Gold. Uncirculated	15.50
1844. \$10.00 Gold. Very fine	1875. \$1.00 Gold. Strictly fine to very fine	40.00
1795. \$5.00 Gold. Practically uncirculated	1854. \$1.00 Gold. Very fine	10.00
1800. \$5.00 Gold. Extremely fine, nearly uncirculated	1854. \$1.00 Gold. Uncirculated, with bright mint luster	12.00
1803 over '02. \$5.00 Gold. Nearly uncirculated	1852. \$50.00 Gold. Date very good, balance coin strictly so	100.00
1804. \$5.00 Gold. About unc.	1852. \$5.00 Gold. Extremely rare	61.00
1807. \$5.00 Gold. Practically uncirculated	\$5.00 Carolina Gold. Very fine	23.25
1873. \$3.00 Gold. Strictly very fine	Colorado \$2.50 Gold. Very fine	17.25
1796. \$2.50 Gold. Practically uncirculated	France, 1807, Republic. Fine	7.50
1802. \$2.50 Gold. Strictly fine	1795. Silver Dollar. Extremely fine	5.10
1804. \$2.50 Gold. Slightly bent. Very fine	1836. Flying Eagle Silver Dollar. Proof	15.00
1805. \$2.50 Gold. Practically uncirculated	1858. Silver Dollar. Proof	30.00
1842. \$2.50 Gold. Very fine	1815. Silver Half-dollar. Very good	3.10
1857. \$2.50 Gold. Extremely fine	1859. Silver Half-dollar. Good	2.00
	1796. Quarter Dollar. Strictly fine	8.25
	1877 20c piece. Brilliant proof	6.30
	1878 20c piece. Brilliant proof	4.70

## Belgian Children's Relief Committee Medal.

An interesting souvenir medal has been issued for the contributors to the Belgian Children's Relief Committee of Philadelphia. We are indebted to Mr. Harrold E. Gillingham of Philadelphia for the following description of and details relating to the issue of the medal:

It is a keystone in shape, about 1 3/4 by 1 1/4 inches, portraying a mother on her knees holding in her right hand a baby, and with her left hand appealing to the setting sun. In the exergue, "Belgium's Appeal." Reverse blank. The medal is made by Messrs. Davidson, Philadelphia.

This medal was first suggested by Mr. Samuel S. Fleisher, the well-known yarn manufacturer, philanthropist and patron of art in Philadelphia, who has been active in Belgian children's relief work.

It was suggested that this medal be presented to each contributor as a memento of the sacrifices incurred.

The designer of the medal was Albert Laessle of Germantown, Philadelphia, a member of the National Sculpture Society and the Fellowship of the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts. He has designed a number of medals, and received first prize for sculpture in the "Americanization Through Art" Exhibition at Memorial Hall, Philadelphia, last year.



# PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

HELD AT

ROCHESTER, N. Y., AUGUST 25-29, 1917.

## FIRST DAY—MONDAY, AUGUST 27.

The first day's session was called to order at 10:30 o'clock with President Granberg in the chair.

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the minutes of the last annual meeting as printed. Motion adopted.

## Annual Report of the General Secretary.

*To the President and Members of the American Numismatic Association:*  
As General Secretary I herewith submit my report as of the year ending July 31, 1917.

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT.

Honorary.	
Baltimore Convention reported 12, remaining	12
Active.	
Baltimore Convention reported	482
New Members, since added	84
Reinstated	9
	575

S. C. Stevens made Honorary	1
Loss by death during year	4
By resignation	17
By non-payment of dues	41
August 1, 1917, total active members, dues paid to Dec. 31, 1917	512

## Branches—

Rochester A. N. A. Branch #2, dues paid to Dec. 31, 1917.  
Chicago A. N. A. Branch #1, dues paid to Dec. 31, 1917.  
Boston Numismatic Society, Boston, dues paid to Dec. 31, 1917.  
American Numismatic Society, New York, dues paid to Dec. 31, 1917.  
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, Pittsburgh, dues paid to Dec. 31, 1917.

St. Louis Numismatic Society, St. Louis, dues paid to Dec. 31, 1917.

Since our last Convention, the Association has lost by death the following members:

Gus Egolf, Norristown, Pa.  
James K. Shoffner, Norristown, Pa.  
Jesse Potts, Albany, N. Y.  
Daniel F. Reuting, Titusville, Pa.

## FINANCIAL REPORT.

## Receipts.

August 1, 1916, Balance	\$234.24
August	6.50
September	15.75
October	4.25
November	11.75
December	23.00
January, 1917	77.50
February	90.50
March	48.50

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April	41.00
May	19.50
June	7.00
July	22.25
Total	\$601.74

## Expenditures.

1916.	
Aug. 12, J. H. Ripstra, badge bars	# 65 \$6.00
Sept. 23, Giddings & Rogers, Printing Programs	66 4.75
" 27, C. E. Stonemaker, labor on trestles	67 12.90
" 27, Expressage and labor on cases from Springfield, Mass.	68 22.25
" 27, F. G. Duffield, Publishing Convention Proceedings	69 60.00
" 27, W. C. Moore, services	70 100.00
" 27, Miss F. M. Connelly, Stenographer	72 18.15
" 27, Badges, 25th Anniversary	71 118.08
" 27, Peabody Institute, drayage	73 2.50
" 27, J. H. Ripstra, badges	74 2.75
Nov. 6, F. B. King, freight and drayage	75 21.31
1917.	
Jan. 15, Thatcher Art Printing Co.	76 48.75
" 15, J. M. Oliver, stamps	77 20.00
" 22, J. M. Oliver, Bay State Storage Co.	78 2.00
Mch. 7, Thatcher Art Printing Co.	79 11.50
May 16, J. M. Oliver, stamps	80 20.00 \$470.94
July 31, Balance per books of General Secretary	\$130.80

Mr. Brenner—Mr. President, to facilitate matters I move that the report of the General Secretary be accepted, after being properly audited.

The President—A motion has been made and seconded that the General Secretary's report be received as read and filed with the Auditing Committee for their action. Motion carried.

## Remittances made the Business Manager, account of THE NUMISMATIST:

By Check, August, 1916	\$ 7.50
By Check, September	6.75
By Check, October	3.00
By Check, November	9.75
By Check, December	44.10
By Check, January, 1917	195.00
By Check, February	235.50
By Check, March	111.00
By Check, April	73.50
By Check, May	43.00
By Check, June	7.50
By Check July	12.75

Total remittances made the Manager for year ending July 31, 1917, \$751.35

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. OLIVER,

General Secretary.

Springfield, Mass., August 1, 1917.

The President—It has been moved and seconded that the report of the Business Manager of THE NUMISMATIST be referred to the Auditing Committee. Motion carried.

Mr. Wurtzbach—A letter was received from Mr. Duffield, expressing his regret at being unable to be present at the meeting and enclosing a copy of his report covering the past year, of which he stated he also sent a copy to Mr. Oliver, General Secretary. This report has not been audited by the Auditing Committee and it should be placed on file. I have care-



fully gone over every individual item from month to month and requested Mr. Duffield to send me receipts, etc., and the amounts in detail, and have checked it up carefully.

The President—It has been moved and seconded that the report of THE NUMISMATIST as read by the Chairman of the Board of Governors be referred to the Auditing Committee. Motion carried.

Mr. Wurtzbach—As Chairman I have no formal report to make, but due to conditions during the past year, I know we have had some difficulties to overcome, as every Board of Governors will have, but through correspondence and several conferences and meetings we have kept in touch with reports of committees very closely and followed up very minutely everything, and hope that matters pertaining to the welfare of the Association are in splendid shape. We all realize that the war has brought about conditions that would not arise otherwise, but due to the interest taken at this Convention, we see our fears were groundless. We have tried, and I think with a considerable measure of success, to bring about a closer relationship with kindred bodies of the United States, and it is particularly gratifying to note the interest shown by the New York Society, of which many are members and who are a great help to us. We ought to appreciate that these organizations and branches have the vital interest in these larger and more comprehensive Associations. We have been hoping to bring about a closer interest on the part of individuals to stand by the guns during this time of distress. The outlook for the future is very bright. We understand each other better. We have a great mission to perform in this country and the world at large. We do not realize that numismatics will be looked upon by a great body of the general public as a fundamental science that is interested with the peculiarities of the government. It appears to me the feelings in this country of ours by Franklin, Adams, etc., were forced to recognize this government. For the future, we are interested in a pursuit and science that is a noble calling. I speak for every member here at present the active co-operation as expressed to me personally and the Board of Governors collectively during the last year.

President Granberg—It has been suggested that the American Numismatic Association strive to recover the members it has lost. It seems we ought to be able to devise means to regain some of those who were interested, but for some reason or other have given up their membership but still continue to take THE NUMISMATIST, and to bring that matter before you I will mention just what was mentioned to me in conversation a short time ago, and that is, that we devise some means for the General Secretary to prepare a list of the members who have dropped out of the ranks and to instruct the District Secretaries to use their very best means and influence to correspond with them. We can afford to be liberal with them. The suggestion is that we remit the dues and take them back at the beginning of the year, or now, without any charges of any kind, letting them pay dues from now on, and I think a great many would come back. The feeling that caused a few men to drop out is luckily over. As I view it, the remarks made by Mr. Wurtzbach I sympathize with and endorse all he says, and were I able to talk on that subject and express my ideas, I would enlarge on that, but he has placed the matter before you so well that I will simply say I endorse it. I believe if we take action we can recover many of our lost members, and in a general way we should make some effort through the District Secretaries to get in touch with them and have them renew their membership by remitting dues. We ought to have 1000 members.

Dr. Henderson—I would suggest that the General Secretary send out an application blank to all the former members, and that all members try their best to get them back.

A Member—I move that the initiation fee and back dues of lapsed members be remitted, provided they renew their membership and pay their dues and subscription to THE NUMISMATIST for the ensuing year, beginning January, 1918, in advance.

Dr. Henderson—I would like to make an amendment to that—that the old members retain their old numbers.

Mr. Oliver—All the old members who have come back have had their old numbers, as far as I could find them.

Dr. Henderson—In Montreal they paid for some individuals to make them members for political reasons; men who had no interest in the Asso-

ciation, and these men are not wanted back at any price. You will find a great many of these are not coin collectors.

A Member—I think his remarks are well taken, but they can be handled by the officers of the Association. A great many of the members are dead. A great many we don't want back. That is a matter for the General Secretary and his assistants. I think there are probably 15 or 20 names of good active men whom we desire to have in the Association, but who dropped out for political reasons, but I believe that feeling has been eliminated and a closer relationship is existing. We would be glad to have them with us. The remitting of back dues or payment of initiation fees will go far toward getting them back. The initiation fee is \$1.00. Regarding those brought in for political reasons, they were never members. They paid six months' membership fee and never renewed, so it is not difficult to find out that class of members. I am in accord with every legitimate effort to get back members, but when Dr. Henderson made the motion it appeared to me a little too sweeping and might establish a precedent that would involve difficulties. There are so many slackers, it makes it a little hard for the fellows who stand by the guns and the slackers to lay down the oars and be accorded the same privileges as the few who have done the work. I think the principle is entirely wrong.

Dr. Henderson—In reply to the Chairman of the Board of Governors, I made the motion as I did in order to get it before the Association and see what the sentiment was. If they were agreeable, another motion was to follow. I really think I have in mind that this matter should be referred to the General Secretary and his assistants, in co-operation with the Board of Governors, and think it is the only way it can possibly be sifted down. It is a big question and one that a committee cannot do. It should be referred to the officers.

Mr. Henry Chapman—These men who were expelled were given notice and turned a deaf ear. Does not that show we do not want them back? When it comes to cold cash they drop it. We don't want these people. We want good men. I am not in favor of giving so much.

Mr. Williams—I was one of the members who resigned when many did, and will say I was not expelled, but was not pleased with some things that were done. When it was over I was glad to come back and pay my initiation fee. Many were not dropped or expelled, and we would like to see these men come back. I think they have no feeling against the Association at the present time.

A Member—I think the first motion is the best, as made by Dr. Henderson; that is, that we give the chance to the old members to come back to the Association. Once expelled, expelled for all time, so there is no question of taking back those who have been expelled, but must give all the members, old or new, a chance to come back to the Association, and that's why I say I am in sympathy with the motion as made by Dr. Henderson; that some chance be given all members, and not leave it to the selection of the committee. The Board of Governors, or whatever committee you refer to, would go over the list of whom they think would be acceptable. I do not think the chance should be given to everybody. If one is in sympathy with the Association, give him a chance. If he has lost his interest, we will not get him back; otherwise they would have remained with the Association and paid their dues. If you ask these old members to rejoin by paying back dues you will not induce any member to pay back fees for 2, 5 or 10 years. They would rather come as new members.

Mr. Brenner—It seems to me that this is a matter that should come before the Board of Governors, and I make the motion to refer it to the Board of Governors with the request that they report to this convention.

Mr. Zerbe—I would say I am in entire sympathy with the motion as made by Dr. Henderson but think it is a delicate subject and should be handled with diplomacy. It should be referred to the Board of Governors so they may consider the list to select and write them a letter that by a vote of this convention we would be glad to welcome them back to the fold. Make no note regarding the remitting of dues.

Dr. Henderson—I am opposed to that. That would nullify my motion. My motion was made with the one idea of getting an expression at the convention whether this would be favorable or not. I do not believe



the Board of Governors should decide that. We should express our own preference. If Mr. Brenner's motion is allowed, then it would be in order, but for the present I think it is entirely out of order.

Mr. Sears—I am in favor of Mr. Brenner's motion for this reason: I think the Board of Governors is capable of deciding whom we want. Furthermore, the names of these people are unknown to the members. I am in favor of the motion as made by Mr. Brenner and would like to see it put to a vote.

Mr. Wurtzbach—Just to refer to Dr. Henderson's motion. Perhaps he is not confused in his own mind, but he has confused mine. I think we are all agreed the first motion was to remit the initiation fee and accept back into membership all members who paid their annual fees. That is the question in my mind. It is a sweeping proposition. It seems to me if your first motion carried it would dispose of your second motion. If I am correct, Dr. Henderson's motion was that we remit the dues of all former members and invite them back into membership upon payment of dues. Some may be suspended for non-payment. I am heartily in accord with any honest effort to bring back every former member, but not in favor of Dr. Henderson's first motion.

Dr. Henderson—The By-laws provide that those whose dues lapse shall stand suspended. If they wish to become members again they can do so by paying back dues. If they are lapsed one year they can pay 50c. and 50c. for the ensuing year, and do not pay the initiation fee. If they have lapsed five years, they had better make new application and pay the initiation fee.

A Member—I think the motion of Mr. Brenner is the proper one.

Dr. Henderson—I stated in the beginning that this would be followed by another motion. I don't see how we can make a motion to ask John Smith and not ask the other fellow. We cannot specify the names. If we specify the names of all who have lapsed in general membership, that can be left to the discretion of the officers.

Mr. Brenner—Dr. Henderson does not understand why I made this motion. The question seems to me of vital importance. It was simply to refer to the Board of Governors, who are present, to make a report, and the committee to act on their report.

The President—A motion has been made to refer this matter to the Board of Governors. We want to get old members back, but do not want the undesirable. If this is placed in the hands of the Board of Governors, they can report. Motion carried.

Dr. Henderson—I have been informed that my original motion did not include two words, "lapse or suspended." If that's the case, I would not include undesirable or expelled material. If it is desired to include this in my original motion, I will do so. It was fully intended, and Mr. Brenner's motion is then certainly in order and I would favor it, but if made with the intention of referring it to the Board of Governors, I would not give consent.

Mr. Wornser—How can we increase our membership? I think we can very well take example from the National Geographical Society. They charge \$2.50 for subscription to their magazine, but if you become a member it is only \$2.00, and you get the magazine free.

A Member—I think our magazine is very practical. As second-class matter I think some arrangement could be made with the American News Co. to handle THE NUMISMATIST on the news stands. It would spread interest in it. I don't know whether it is proper to do this.

The President—The Board of Governors has great power. They can make such By-laws as they deem proper.

Mr. Wood (N. Y.)—In order to enjoy second-class rates associations must charge their members a certain price, or must ask from non-members the same price; that is, they must have a distinctive price. If we make any change in price so the non-member could not enjoy the same privilege, we then go contrary to the second-class regulations.

A Member—How does the National Geographical Society do this? They have second-class mailing privilege.

Mr. Brenner—As chairman, I would like to have a committee meet with me on election at some time.

A Member—I move that a committee of three be appointed to take care of these matters and report at the final session.

As the committee on Resolutions, the President appointed Messrs. French, Zerbe and Adams.

A letter was received from Mr. Elliott Smith requesting that his name be withdrawn as a candidate for the Board of Governors.

The President—A motion has been made and seconded that we adjourn until two o'clock this afternoon. Motion carried.

## 2 P. M.

The President—A motion has been made that we adjourn until tomorrow morning. Motion carried.

## SECOND DAY—TUESDAY, AUGUST 28.

The meeting called to order at 10:30 A. M. by President Granberg.

The President—The first order of business will be the report of the Board of Governors regarding the reinstatement of old members.

Mr. Wurtzbach—Your committee recommends that the Convention bestow full powers and authority upon the Board of Governors with the aim that all desirable former members who have resigned or who have allowed their membership to lapse be reinstated in the Association, and that a special recommendation is made that each member of the Association make special individual effort to reclaim such former member.

The President—A motion has been made and seconded to adopt the report as rendered by the Board of Governors for the reinstatement of old members.

Dr. Henderson—With regard to the motion of mine, this committee simply refers this back and leaves my motion before the house, and with this coming before the house it covers the ground completely and satisfactorily, but I would like to withdraw my motion and move the adoption of this report as accepted. I am familiar with the fact that our By-laws provide that the Board of Governors can alter or amend any section of the By-laws, but cannot alter the Constitution. This is in the By-laws, so the Board of Governors can suspend the initiation fee if they wish. The By-laws grant them that power.

## Report of Committee on Proxy Representation.

Rochester, N. Y., August 28, 1917.

Mr. President and Members of the A. N. A.:

Your Committee on Proxy Representation begs leave to make the following report. There were filed with your committee 156 proxies, held as follows:

E. H. Adams .....	1	B. Max Mehl .....	7
L. G. Anberg .....	3	R. W. McLachlan .....	9
J. Brenner .....	2	J. M. Oliver .....	51
E. Beesley .....	1	E. S. Sears .....	4
Henry Chapman .....	9	John A. Wood .....	6
H. O. Granberg .....	1	Hovland Wood .....	4
J. M. Henderson .....	7	Carl Wurtzbach .....	8
J. T. Kelly .....	9	H. H. Yawger .....	3
R. Kohler .....	4	Farran Zerbe .....	10
F. E. Merritt .....	1	Invalid .....	5
Chas. Markus .....	1	Total .....	156
J. E. Morse .....	7		
M. Marnica .....	3		

Respectfully submitted,

JUDSON BRENNER,  
J. M. HENDERSON,  
F. E. MERRITT.



The President—A motion has been made and seconded to accept the report of the Committee on Proxies. Motion carried.

Mr. Brenner—I would like to see the business closed by 11 o'clock tomorrow, and at that time there will be called a meeting for additional nominations. This gives them an opportunity to place such party in nomination. It is understood that when one is not here, they must have the written consent of the party nominated. After the nominations are closed, it will give them an opportunity to file the ballot with the Election Committee. I think 1½ hours will be sufficient time. We can get through at 11:30 and close the polls at 1 o'clock. This is a very easy matter, and there should be no confusion about it. I therefore want to make this motion: That the nomination of officers be made a special order of business tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock.

The President—A motion has been made and seconded that a special order of business be made tomorrow at 11 o'clock to take up the matter of nomination of officers. Motion carried.

#### Report of the Treasurer of the American Numismatic Association.

August 1, 1917.

##### Receipts.

July 31, 1916, Balance on hand .....	\$234.24
Aug. 29, Received from Waldo C. Moore, General Secretary .....	6.50
Oct. 16, Received from Waldo C. Moore, General Secretary .....	15.75
Nov. 6, Received from John M. Oliver, General Secretary .....	4.25
Dec. 1, Received from John M. Oliver, General Secretary .....	11.75
Jan. 2, 1917, Received from John M. Oliver, General Secretary .....	23.00
Jan. 28, Received from John M. Oliver, General Secretary .....	77.50
Feb. 29, Received from John M. Oliver, General Secretary .....	90.50
Mar. 31, Received from John M. Oliver, General Secretary .....	48.50
May 3, Received from John M. Oliver, General Secretary .....	41.00
June 2, Received from John M. Oliver, General Secretary .....	19.00
July 3, Received from John M. Oliver, General Secretary .....	7.00
July 31, Received from John M. Oliver, General Secretary .....	22.25
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$601.74</b>

##### Disbursements.

Aug. 12, 1916, J. H. Ripstra .....	# 65	\$ 6.00
Sept. 23, Giddings & Rogers .....	# 66	4.75
Sept. 27, C. E. Slonaker .....	# 67	12.90
Sept. 27, Expressage and labor on cases from Springfield, Mass. ....	# 68	22.25
Sept. 27, F. G. Duffield, Manager .....	# 69	60.00
Sept. 27, W. C. Moore .....	# 70	100.00
Sept. 27, Miss F. M. Connery .....	# 72	18.15
Sept. 27, The Peabody Institute .....	# 73	2.50
Sept. 27, J. H. Ripstra .....	# 74	2.75
Oct. 13, F. B. King .....	# 75	21.31
Jan. 30, 1917, Thatcher Art Printery .....	# 76	48.75
Jan. 30, John M. Oliver, General Secretary .....	# 77	20.00
Jan. 30, John M. Oliver .....	# 78	2.00
Mar. 15, Thatcher Art Printery .....	# 79	11.50
Apr. 17, Badges, 25th Anniversary .....	# 71	118.08
June 4, John M. Oliver .....	# 80	20.00
<b>Total .....</b>		<b>\$470.94</b>

Balance in Treasury, August 1, 1917 .....

\$130.80

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT R. WOLCOTT,

Treasurer.

#### Report of the Editor and Business Manager of The Numismatist.

##### To the Members of the American Numismatic Association:

The same conditions surrounding the publication of THE NUMISMATIST that were referred to in my report of a year ago are still in effect, viz., the additional cost for printing the magazine, due to the high price of paper, and the loss of nearly all our foreign advertising, due to the war.

There has been a noticeable decrease in the receipts from advertising, but this has been offset by a very gratifying increase in the receipts from subscriptions and the sale of sample and extra copies, with the result that the cash balance on hand is a little larger than a year ago.

In April of this year there was presented an opportunity whereby it seemed probable that our subscription list could be greatly increased in the South through the publication of a series of articles on the paper money of the Confederate States. Through the generosity of Mr. H. D. Allen, the author of the papers, and fifteen members of the A. N. A. and three of our local numismatic societies, funds were raised to partially finance the publication of these articles and to conduct a vigorous publicity campaign throughout the South, and in some sections of the East and West as well, in the interest of THE NUMISMATIST and the A. N. A. About 750 circulars were sent out from this office, and 500 copies of the June issue of the magazine to public libraries, Confederate Veteran Camps and Chapters of the Daughters of the Confederacy. In addition to this, more than 2000 circulars were sent out by Mr. Allen at his own expense to similar organizations and libraries that had not been reached in the campaign conducted by THE NUMISMATIST. The result has been a decided increase in our subscription list and the sale of extra copies containing these articles has been very large. These articles are being copyrighted from month to month as they appear, which gives the A. N. A. exclusive use of them. A larger edition than usual is being printed each month to take care of subscriptions that may come later with a request for the back numbers. With the magazine now going to many new subscribers in the South, we may confidently look for a number of new collectors in that section, which has heretofore shown little interest in numismatics.

During the past year the editor has had the support and assistance of many of the members in providing suitable material for publication, and in many other ways, for which he extends his thanks.

The financial statement follows:

##### Receipts.

Balance on hand at last report .....	\$ 560.39
From advertising .....	788.21
From subscriptions .....	1347.98
From sale of back numbers, sample and extra copies .....	104.77
From A. N. A. appropriation, Baltimore Convention .....	60.00
From contributions to special fund .....	124.00
From contribution for advertising .....	3.38
From sale of cut .....	.50
From contribution for return postage .....	.50
<b>Total receipts .....</b>	<b>\$2989.73</b>

##### Disbursements.

For electrotype cuts .....	\$ 210.18
For printing THE NUMISMATIST .....	1221.50
For postage (domestic and foreign) and expressage on THE NUMISMATIST .....	58.64
For mailing envelopes .....	33.30
For addressing and mailing THE NUMISMATIST .....	45.00
For salary of Editor and Business Manager .....	720.00
For office postage .....	66.95
For office expressage .....	7.07
For office printing and stationery .....	11.17
For photographs for cuts .....	17.90
For circulars (two lots) .....	7.75



For refund on declined advertising ..... 2.00  
 For copyright fee ..... 3.09  
 For advertising in Confederate Veteran ..... 3.37  
 For bank exchange ..... .40  
 For affidavits on publisher's statement ..... .50

Total disbursements ..... \$2417.82

Leaving a balance on hand of ..... \$ 571.91

F. G. DUFFIELD, Editor and Business Manager.

#### Report of Auditing Committee.

August 28, 1917.  
 The Auditing Committee has examined the books of the General Secretary and the Treasurer and have found one error of over-remittance of twenty-five cents to the Treasurer by the Secretary.

HOWLAND WOOD,  
 J. M. HENDERSON,  
 Auditing Committee.

August 28, 1917.

The Auditing Committee, being unable to examine the books of the Business Manager of THE NUMISMATIST, the books not having been sent to the Convention, cannot report on the same, and suggest the discharge of the present committee.

HOWLAND WOOD,  
 J. M. HENDERSON,  
 Auditing Committee.

The President—Motion has been made and seconded that the reports be received and a special committee appointed to audit the books of the Business Manager. Motion carried.

Letters and telegrams expressing regret of their inability to be present at the Convention were received from the following:

Lyman H. Lov, New Rochelle, N. Y.  
 Preston C. Pond, Chicopee, Mass.  
 J. C. Woodbury, Kennebunk Beach, Me.  
 I. Leland Steinman, San Francisco, Cal.  
 T. E. Leon, Chicago, Ill.  
 F. G. Duffield, Baltimore, Md.  
 J. deLagerberg, Passaic, N. J.

The President—A motion has been made and seconded to acknowledge receipt of the letter from the King of Italy. Motion carried.

J. M. Oliver, Esq., Gen. Sec'y of The American Numismatic Ass'n, Springfield, Mass., August 21, 1917.

Dear Sir—I have the pleasure to inform you that the Ministry of Royal Palace in Rome has recently advised me to signify to the esteemed American Numismatic Association the expressions of sincere thanks and appreciation from His Majesty the King of Italy for the list of its members sent to Him for homage.

Respectfully yours,

DOCTOR T. DE MARCO,

R. It. Consular Agent at Springfield.

Mr. Sears—I make a motion that any member of the Association who enters the service of the United States Government shall be exempted from dues for the duration of the war.

The President—Motion has been made and seconded that all members of the Association in the service of the United States be exempted from dues for the duration of the war. Motion carried.

Two papers, entitled, "Evolution of the Bank Note" and "The Lure of Colonial Numismatics," were read by Mr. Waldo C. Moore.

The President—A motion has been made to extend a vote of thanks to Mr. Moore for the papers just read, and for him to furnish a copy to the General Secretary. Motion carried.

The President—Mr. King has offered to take care of the cases here in Rochester and also to store them next year.

The President—A motion has been made to adjourn until 2.30 P. M. Motion carried.

2.30 P. M.

The President—A motion has been made to adjourn until tomorrow morning. Motion carried.

#### THIRD DAY—WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29.

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 o'clock.

The President—A motion has been made and seconded that we appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) to the General Secretary. Mr. Oliver, for his services during the past year. Motion carried.

The President—By a motion made yesterday it was made a special order of business for the Election Committee to begin at 11 o'clock. I would ask all members to turn in their proxies to the Election Committee very promptly.

President Granberg stated that he did not wish his name to appear.

Mr. Merritt stated that he wished his name withdrawn as a candidate for the Board of Governors.

The President—The withdrawal is granted.

The President—I would suggest, as a member of that committee, that whatever votes anyone may have prepared for me, they be changed for Waldo C. Moore, who has served us for many years.

Mr. Oliver—Mr. W. C. Stone of Springfield wishes his name withdrawn as a candidate for the Board of Governors.

The President—The withdrawal is granted.

Mr. Brenner—I don't want to assume any authority, but as chairman of the Election Committee I would like to announce the regular candidates.

For President—

Mr. Carl Wurtzbach, Lee, Mass.  
 Mr. R. W. McLachlan, Montreal, Can.  
 Mr. Herbert Bowen, Ft. Dodge, Iowa.

The President—A motion has been made and seconded that nominations for President be closed. Motion carried.

First Vice-President—

Dr. George P. French, Rochester, N. Y.

The President—A motion has been made and seconded that nominations for Second Vice-President be closed. Motion carried.

Second Vice-President—

Mr. R. W. McLachlan, Montreal, Can.  
 Mr. D. A. Williams, Baltimore, Md.

The President—A motion has been made and seconded that nomination for Second Vice-President be closed. Motion carried.

Chairman Board of Governors—

Mr. Waldo C. Moore, Lewisburg, Ohio.

The President—A motion has been made and seconded that nominations for Chairman of Board of Governors be closed. Motion carried.

Members Board of Governors—

Mr. T. E. Leon, Chicago, Ill.  
 Mr. C. W. Cowell, Denver, Colo.  
 Mr. F. B. King, Rochester, N. Y.  
 Mr. Moritz Wornuser, New York City.  
 Mr. S. H. Chapman, Philadelphia, Pa.  
 Mr. Elmer S. Sears, Swansea, Mass.

The President—A motion has been made and seconded that nominations for Members of Board of Governors be closed. Motion carried.



## General Secretary—

Mr. John M. Oliver, Springfield, Mass.

The President—A motion has been made and seconded that nominations for General Secretary be closed. Motion carried.

## Treasurer—

Mr. Herbert R. Wolcott, Springfield, Mass.

The President—A motion has been made and seconded that nominations for Treasurer be closed. Motion carried.

## Report of Committee on Resolutions.

*Mr. President and Members of the Association:*

Your Committee on Resolutions desires to submit the following report: First, we desire to express our appreciation of the wonderful manner in which this year's Convention has been conducted by the Rochester Numismatic Association. So complete have been all the arrangements connected with our annual meeting that we can hold them as a model for the future conventions.

We have received so many courtesies from the Rochester Numismatic Association that it is difficult to express our thanks, but we are sure we represent the sentiments of every attendant here when we say that this has been one of the most satisfactory conventions we have ever held, and has been one continuous good time during every moment we have been in this hospitable city. We are very grateful to the Rochester Association, and herewith express our thanks for the numerous kindnesses and courtesies of which we have been the recipients.

If we were to express our appreciation of the individual efforts of the local organization to make our stay in Rochester pleasant, it would be necessary to name every member; still we do not feel it amiss to mention the name of one of your members who has been particularly conspicuous in making us feel thoroughly at home here, one whose every thought has been for our comfort. We mean the hustling, energetic, popular Vice-President of the Rochester Numismatic Association, Mr. Harry H. Yawger.

We also feel that we must make conspicuous our appreciation of the generous hospitality of another of your prominent and honored members. We refer to Mr. Woolsey, whose banquet given to the Convention will ever remain a pleasant memory in the mind of every one who was privileged to attend.

Mr. Fred B. King, past President of the Rochester Numismatic Association, volunteered at the Baltimore Convention to take charge of and store the exhibition cases, free of expense to us, which he has done, and has signified his intention to continue such charge until the next convention.

We feel that this is the proper occasion to express the appreciation of the Association for the efforts of the Springfield Coin Club in having prepared and printed a neat pamphlet containing an up-to-date list of members of our organization, which has been presented free of charge to each one of our members.

Special thanks are due Mr. H. D. Allen, through whose efforts the members of this Association are being provided with an illustrated history of the Confederate paper money. In this connection the editor of *THE NUMISMATIST* should be equally congratulated upon his intelligent co-operation with Mr. Allen in presenting the series of articles in the proper form. The success of this convention has been largely due to the splendid facilities which have been afforded us by the Memorial Art Gallery. Thanks to the officers of this institution, and particularly to Mr. George L. Herdle, the Art Director, the main gallery has been placed at our disposal for the coin exhibition, one of the auditoriums has been turned over to us for our business sessions, and in fact, every convenience of this fine institution has been accorded us. We are especially gratified at this treatment and herewith express our warmest thanks.

FARRAN ZEPPE,

WALDO C. MOORE,

EDGAR H. ADAMS, Chairman.

The President—A motion has been made and seconded that the Committee on Resolutions be discharged and the report placed on file. Motion carried.

The President—Committee on auditing the Manager's books are Mr. Judson Brenner, Dr. J. M. Henderson and Mr. H. O. Granberg.

The President—A motion has been made and seconded to adjourn until 2 P. M. Motion carried.

## 2 P. M.

The President—Is there any new or unfinished business?

Mr. Henry Chapman—Cannot we now take up the question as to where the next convention is to be held? I extend an invitation for it to be held in Philadelphia. Both my brother and myself will arrange for accommodations, etc. We have a great many facilities, a good hotel at the corner of Broad and Spruce Sts., and other conveniences.

Mr. Sears—I think it appropriate at this time to thank Mr. Chapman for his kindness and his invitation to Philadelphia, and while I have no authority on behalf of the Boston Club to invite you to Boston, there has been some talk about it, and personally for next year I would favor Philadelphia.

The President—A motion has been made and seconded that we extend a vote of thanks to Mr. Chapman, and that the next meeting be held in Philadelphia. Motion carried.

The President—I wish to thank you all and beg your pardon for overlooking my shortcomings as President of this Association. I have always had a great interest in its welfare, and will try and do whatever I can for the promotion of it. I have followed the convention from year to year, to New York, Chicago, Detroit, San Francisco, and possibly other places, and enjoyed each convention as fully as anyone, and when I lay down the gavel as presiding officer I do so with a sort of relief which you must know I am entitled to, and will go home with a lot of pleasant memories. There are many things which bring up kind memories which shall refer back to the Association. Many speakers at banquets probably overlook one side that I for myself have felt quite keenly, and that is what we have seen and enjoyed. The beautiful lanes along the Genesee River, the beautiful landscape and shade trees and the beautiful green blades of grass, etc., that it is hard to equal in any place. It shows that thought for the present generation was formed years ago. Taking a drive along East Avenue, where the surrounding are adorned with beautiful parks, etc., and likewise the drive to Ontario Beach shows a number of beautiful places, the automobile drive more than the trolley ride, and when I recall some of the thoughts that came to my mind, that is, tall and stately trees, it is hard to find in any other locality such beautiful homes. All these things, one after the other, are crowded into our memories. It is indeed one of the most enjoyable times we have ever had.

Mr. Chapman—I move that we extend a vote of thanks and appreciation to our retiring President. He has devoted all the time he could possibly devote to his office, and has labored in and out of season for the benefit of this Association, and we part with him with a sense of profound regret. Also with regard to the date of the next meeting. In Philadelphia, on account of the heat, it is desirable to meet as late in the summer as convenient. It is better not to have it before September 15, but any time you and the Board of Governors may deem favorable will suit us, and we will make it as pleasant as we can.

Mr. Sears—Is September 5 late enough to expect cold weather?

Mr. Oliver—A great many are working people, and July and August are the vacation months, and I think we would have a larger attendance in August.

The President—This matter will have to be regulated by the Philadelphia Numismatic Association and turned over to the Board of Governors.

The President—We will now receive the report of the Election Committee. The Committee has made a careful count of the ballots cast.



## For President.

Carl Wurtzbach .....	151
R. W. McLachlan .....	27
Herbert Bowen .....	19
Scattering .....	2

## For First Vice-President.

Dr. George P. French .....	187
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R. W. McLachlan .....	171
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## For General Secretary.

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## For Treasurer.

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## For Chairman Board of Governors.

W. C. Moore .....	192
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## For Members Board of Governors.

T. E. Leon .....	177
C. W. Cowell .....	38
F. B. King .....	174
Moritz Wormser .....	158
Elmer S. Sears .....	158
S. H. Chapman .....	43
Scattering .....	6

The President—Mr. Wurtzbach, take the chair. You are duly elected President. A motion has been made and seconded that the election of Carl Wurtzbach as President be made unanimous.

Mr. Wurtzbach—Mr. President, and Fellow Members of the Association, and Friends: I want to show you my deep appreciation of the honor which has come to me. It is not, I think, out of place for me to say it is an office I have not sought, because I know the abilities required to properly fill it, the character and ability of my illustrious predecessor, who knows something of the hard work to make it a success, and because of my inability of assuming a responsible position like this, yet at the same time I am deeply appreciative of the high honor and thank you for considering me for this office. If anything occurs in the year that shows your judgment is correct, I shall be deeply gratified. I will need the help of every individual. I recognize my limitations, and will ask every member of the Association, not for my personal success alone, but solely for the success of this organization, which we love and which we have at heart. In turn, I pledge you my interest and best effort for the year before us that it shall be successful. Let us take all the interest we can by the unselfish efforts we put forth in its welfare, the ideals we see before us and should strive to attain. I am deeply appreciative of this high honor, and all I can say is that I will do the very best I can.

Mr. Bauer—If peace were declared among the nations, I should like to see a subscription started to strike the finest medal commemorating that event and handed down to other generations. I would say I should be glad to give \$100 for such a purpose.

The President—That is certainly a worthy object, and when it comes I am sure it will have the help and support of the majority of the members. No doubt, it can be taken up in the usual way when occasion requires.

The papers by former President Farran Zerbe which were made a special order of business for Tuesday afternoon's session, but which session did not convene on account of the prolonged sociability at Mr. Woolsey's noon luncheon, were called. On account of the limited time Mr. Zerbe did not read his papers, but referred to them in an address. "Some Inedited United States Specimens." The Leshner series and the satirical pieces of the "Free Silver" campaigns were referred to in introducing some

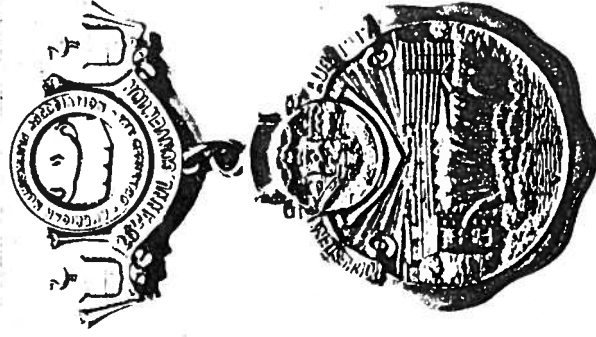
little-known pieces with which they are related, leading to considerable new information associated with Tod's Pot-Metal Dollar, the Sprinkle Dollar, Swift's Silver Mines and Money, and the silver peso of the Christian Indians of California. Mr. Zerbe has acquired considerable original information on inedited specimens which is now in process of preparation for publication.

The President—A motion has been made and seconded to adjourn this session of the American Numismatic Association. Motion carried.

JOHN M. OLIVER,  
General Secretary.

### The Official Convention Badge.

The convention badge was much admired by all, and will be preserved not only as a souvenir of the A. N. A.'s largest convention, but as a numismatic specimen as well. It is reproduced here.



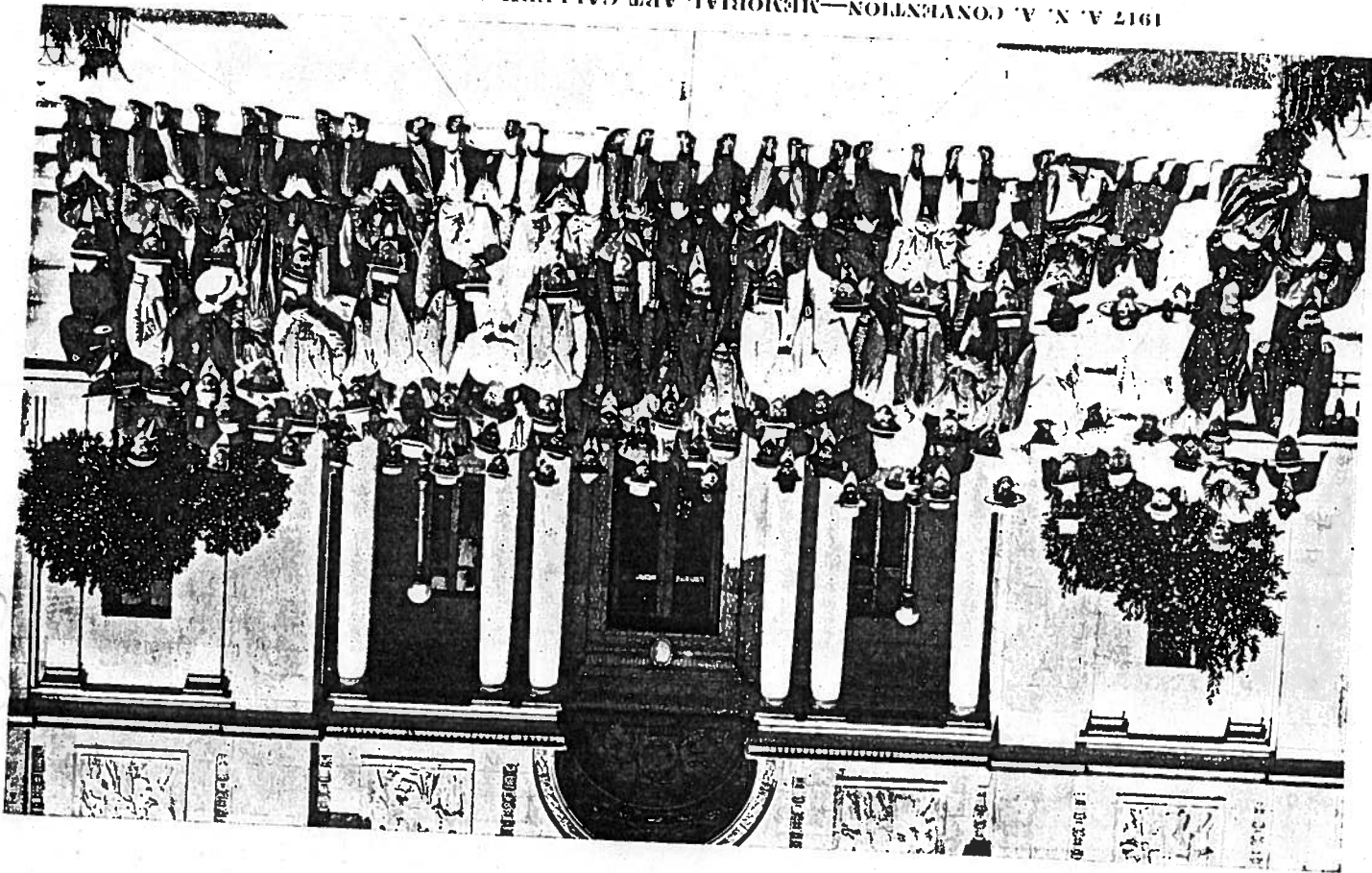
The pendant shows a representation of the Upper Falls of the Genesee River, below the Central Avenue Bridge, in Rochester, N. Y. On one side of the Falls is shown the electric power-house; on the other is shown one of Rochester's large industries, while in the background the New York Central Railroad Co. bridge is shown; and above the Falls, in the center of the medal, the Rochester City seal is placed.

The design in the center of the bar is the A. N. A. seal, while to the right and left of the seal is shown the seal of the Rochester family, the founders of the city of Rochester.

The badge and design is the work of Bastian Brothers Company of Rochester, N. Y., all of the work being done under the personal supervision of Mr. J. A. Koeb, a member of the Rochester Numismatic Association, and the work is considered of very high grade in every detail.

Attached to the bar pin was a red, white and blue ribbon, not shown in the reproduction here.





1917 A. N. A. CONVENTION—MEMORIAL ART GALLERY, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

## A. N. A. Convention Official Photograph.

Those in the photograph on the opposite page are as follows:

Front Row (sitting)—  
 Dr. S. Handler.  
 Oscar Engstrom.  
 Mrs. Oscar Engstrom.  
 Miss Pearl Ward.  
 Mrs. Nina M. Hoare.  
 Dr. J. M. Henderson.  
 Master George Hoare.  
 S. H. Chapman.  
 Judson Brenner.  
 Carl Wurtzbach.  
 H. W. McLachlan.  
 John M. Oliver.  
 Fred E. Merritt.  
 Louis C. Amberg.  
 Harry A. Gray.  
 Farran Zerbe.  
 Joseph A. Koch.  
 Harry H. Yawger.  
 Second Row—  
 Jean Maunovry.  
 Raymond Ward.  
 Mrs. Geo. P. French.  
 Miss Elsie Stein.  
 Mrs. John M. Oliver.  
 Dr. Geo. P. French.

Fred B. King.  
 A. W. Converse.  
 Waldo C. Moore.  
 Arthur Bostwick.  
 Fourth Row—  
 Harry F. Williams.  
 Ebenezer Beesley.  
 Mr. Muehler.  
 Mrs. A. H. Plumb.  
 Mrs. A. H. Plumb.  
 Mrs. E. H. Horner.  
 Mrs. J. E. Horner.  
 A. F. Robson.  
 George Argent.  
 Ed Carleton.  
 L. A. Olmstead.  
 C. F. Clarke.  
 C. T. Borradaile.  
 J. P. Hale Jenkins.  
 M. Marcuson.  
 John E. Morse.  
 W. J. Ballard.  
 Geo. A. Gillette.  
 G. Kraft.  
 Dr. H. A. Davis.

## Registered at the Convention.

The register of General Secretary Oliver showed the following names:

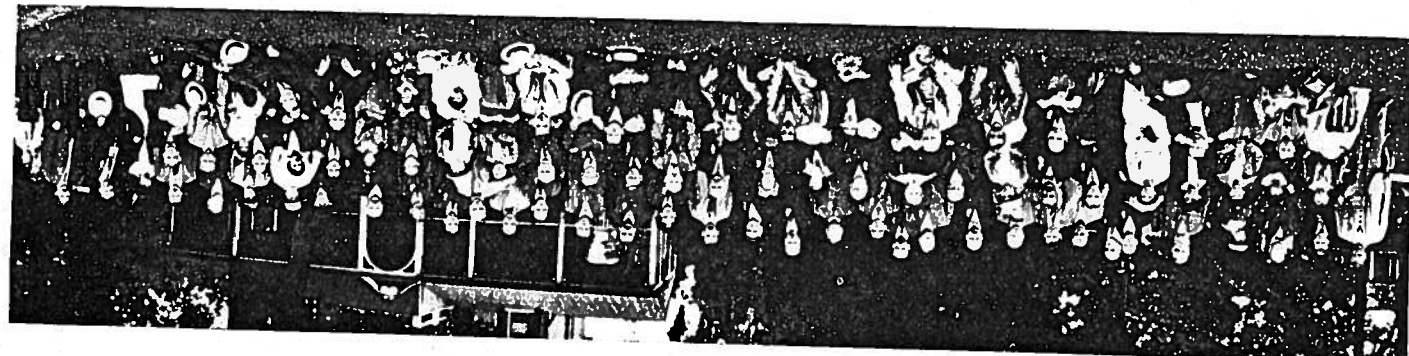
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 H. H. Yawger.  
 Mrs. H. H. Yawger.  
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 F. E. Merritt.  
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 George Argent.  
 Foster Lardner.  
 Dr. George P. French.  
 Mrs. George P. French.  
 Charles Markus.  
 Wayne Raymond.

Mrs. Wayne Raymond.  
 A. E. Loizeau.  
 John E. Morse.  
 M. Marcuson.  
 F. B. King.  
 Mrs. F. B. King.  
 A. W. Converse.  
 Dr. J. M. Henderson.  
 Mrs. J. M. Henderson.  
 Oscar Engstrom.  
 Mrs. Oscar Engstrom.  
 George J. Bauer.  
 George A. Gillette.  
 Delmont L. Angell.  
 Mrs. C. F. Borradaile.  
 Farran Zerbe.  
 Waldo C. Moore.  
 J. P. Hale Jenkins.  
 Harry A. Gray.  
 Fred Joy.  
 Harry F. Williams.  
 L. T. Brodstone.  
 Henry Chapman.  
 I. T. Kelly.  
 John A. Lewis.  
 Ed Carleton.

F. R. Simmonds.  
 W. J. Ballard.  
 Moritz Wormser.  
 I. Bernstein.  
 C. E. Bunnell.  
 Howland Wood.  
 L. J. Woolsey.  
 Mrs. L. J. Woolsey.  
 E. D. Putnam.  
 H. A. Davis.  
 Edgar H. Adams.  
 Victor Morin.  
 John A. Wood.  
 F. J. Loefer.  
 I. A. Olmstead.  
 A. Flagg Robson.  
 Arthur S. Bestwick.  
 G. Kraft.  
 J. A. Williams.  
 C. F. Clarke.  
 C. A. Harold.  
 D. J. Tillotson.  
 A. A. Leve.  
 Rud Kohler.  
 Joseph Kolb.  
 Joseph Hooper.

The most welcome visitor to the Convention was Honorary Member Joseph Hooper, the A. N. A.'s first Vice-President, which office he filled from our organization to his election to the Presidency in 1898, the fourth to hold that office, and served to 1901, inclusive. Mr. Hooper was a visitor on one afternoon. The weight of years and the infirmities of age prevented greater participation. He was warmly greeted by old friends and made many new ones.





AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION, ROCHESTER, N. Y., 1917.  
PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN AT AVON, SUNDAY, AUGUST 26.

## Convention Exhibits.

The exhibition of numismatic specimens was notable in that the individual exhibits combined composed a comprehensive display geographically and chronologically covering the world's mediums of exchange from the introduction of coinage to the present year. In volume it exceeded the display-case capacity, and those who had not made case reservation were either content with private exhibitions or were given space for notable specimens in cases already filled. Selections from specialized collections gathered along numismatic by-paths, with here and there a touch of humor or satire, the signature of notable personages or an extraordinary example of medallist art in the ancient series, had the particular interest of the public, who kept the exhibit gallery crowded during exhibition hours.

The good-will of exhibitors to co-operate for the elimination of near-duplicate exhibits was commendable and should prevail for the future even to a greater degree, thus providing for as great a variety of finest quality as exhibit-case capacity will permit. Our Convention exhibits have become so general and notable in recent years that, naturally, there is desired, and must be, to a considerable extent, an annual duplication of some notable specimens, in stocks or collections, and since they have in recent years received extended notice in Convention exhibit reports, they may not in this report receive the special mention they deserve and otherwise would receive.

**H. O. GRANBERG, Oshkosh, Wis.**—An exhibit of proofs, probably unique, of early high-value United States Government notes up to \$5000, and various prints from incomplete plates for later notes, showing the evolution of note-face design to the finished plate. Also, interest-bearing notes, current issues of low and various odd combinations of numbers, and many essays and experiments relating to Fractional Currency. Particularly notable was the exhibit of National Bank Note errors, among which were the Planters National, Richmond, Va., series of 1902-1908, \$10 face with \$20 back and \$20 face with \$10 back; Columbia National, Buffalo, N. Y., series 1882-1908, \$50 face with \$100 back and \$100 face with \$50 back; First National, Albuquerque, N. M., series of 1882, \$50 face with \$100 back and \$100 face with \$50 back; National City, Chicago, Ill., series of 1902, \$20 face with \$10 back; Second National, Springfield, Mass., first issue, \$10 face with \$20 back; Aetna National, Kansas City, Mo., series of 1882, \$50 face with \$100 back.

**CARL WURTZBACH, Lee, Mass.**—A particularly notable collection of United States Colonial coins of every series and an exceptionally fine-condition set of United States cents. Mr. Wurtzbach's collection of Colonials has graced former conventions, and his efforts to improve condition never cease. It is particularly strong in Massachusetts silver and pieces relating to Washington. Of the latter, four varieties of the half dollar of 1792 were shown.

**R. W. McLACHLAN, Montreal, Canada.**—An exhibit of about six hundred medals and tokens relating to various series, many of odd or unusual shape, and a collection of Royal Arch Masons' Canadian Chapter Pennies. Mr. McLachlan also showed the much-sought coin, Vexator Canadensis (usually translated "troubler of Canada"), relating to the administration of Sir James Craig as Governor of Canada, 1808 to 1812, and who, with his secretary, Ryland, a French Canadian, according to Mr. McLachlan, are ill remembered names in Canadian history.

**S. H. CHAPMAN, Philadelphia, Pa.**—The purpose of the first part of this exhibit was to show the development of the art of the coinage from its invention in the seventh century B. C. to the time of Christ. In a selected series of 145 Greek gold and silver coins each step was exemplified from the earliest archaic period by coins of Aegina, Thebes, Neapolis, Macedonia; Lete, a remarkable example in uncirculated condition bearing a satyr and nymph standing, of the heaviest Doric style, like the earliest reliefs from Selinus; Thasos, satyr kneeling holding a nymph; King Creosus.

A. W. Converse.  
John M. Oliver.  
John B. Morse.  
Oscar Bangstrom.  
Dr. Geo. F. French.  
A. W. Denio.  
Jos. A. Koeb.  
Fred Joy.  
Ed. Pittman.  
Geo. Chittell.  
Mrs. Fred Bauer.  
Mrs. Geo. J. Bauer.  
Mrs. W. D. Langford.  
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Jean Manneville.  
Mrs. A. L. Kaufman.  
A. L. Kaufman.  
Chas. E. Rummel.

Dr. J. M. Henderson.  
Z. H. Chapman.  
Fred E. Merrill.  
Third Row—  
Foster Lardner.  
Foster Vawter.  
Dr. C. L. Breminstore.  
Mrs. C. L. Breminstore.  
Henry Chapman.  
W. H. Stewart.  
Charles Markus.  
Charles Barton.  
J. P. Hale Jenkins.  
Albert E. Loizeau.  
Waldo C. Moore.  
Fred B. King.  
R. Max Miel.  
Ed. Carleton.  
A. H. Thump.

Mrs. John M. Oliver.  
Harry A. Gray.  
H. O. Trumbler.  
Mrs. W. McLachlan.  
Mrs. Geo. F. French.  
D. L. Ansell.  
Mrs. Oscar Thoreau.  
John A. Lewis.  
Dr. S. Handley.  
Louis G. Ambler.  
M. Marcenson.  
Mrs. Geo. Chittell.  
Mrs. Birmingham.  
W. H. Ambler.  
Mrs. L. A. Bernstein.  
I. Bernstein.  
Mrs. J. M. Henderson.

Walter Raymond.  
Elmer S. Sears.  
Moritz Wormser.  
Henry E. Williams.  
Raymond Wood.  
Harry H. Vawter.  
Master Horner.  
John W. Horner.  
George Nicolson.  
Two Children.  
L. T. Brodstone.  
Mrs. W. H. Stewart.  
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Darius, all with punch-mark reverses; embossed coins of Posidonia, Sybaris, before B. C. 510. The next step, a reverse design of Tarentum, Athens with a powerful owl on reverse, Agrigentum, Kaulonia, Selinus, commemorating sanitary draining of marshes; Herakles slaying bull, reverse River Hypsas pouring libation; Syracuse, Gela. Transitional period, B. C. 480-440—Gela, Agrigentum, Thebes; Selinus, rare tetradrachm, Apollo and Artemis in quadriga, reverse Hypsas, beautifully modelled. Finest period, B. C. 420-375—Neapolis (4), Thurium (6); Terina, reverse Nike holds dove, very rare; Vella, head of Pallas facing, signed KLEODOROS on helmet; another, head I., reverse lion; Crotona, head of Apollo, reverse Infant Herakles strangling two serpents; Metapontum, Larissa, head of nymph facing, two beautiful examples; Locri-Oponitii, Corinth, Ellis, drachm, head of Hera r., reverse eagle in wreath; Chios, Sphinx seated, of most exquisite work; Mausolos, head of Apollo facing, also same of King Pixadros. From B. C. 375-200—Phillip of Macedon, gold stater, superb silver tetradrachm; Alexander, three staters of different styles, four tetradrachms; Lysimachos, gold stater and tetradrachm with head of Alexander, the latter of extraordinary beauty, signed Demetrios, with obverse Victory of Samothrace; Antigonos, head of Poseidon, reverse Apollo on prow, commemorating another naval battle; Antiochos II of Syria, reverse Herakles seated, of gem-like work by the artist, all others published by poor artisans; Ptolemy I of Egypt, the first admitted portrait on coins; Syracuse in electrum, another in gold of Hiketas with beautiful head of Persephone; one-third stater, time of Timoleon, fine head of Zeus; tetradrachm, head of Persephone; Agathocles, head of Kora, reverse Nike erects trophy; Hieron, head of Gelon, Philistis, his queen, with her beautiful veiled head; three hemi-staters in gold of Hieron, Pyrrhus, Locri in union with Rome against the Greeks, head of Zeus I., reverse Locri as Faith standing crowns Rona, a very rare coin in perfect preservation; Corinth, Carthage, Athens, etc., all in the finest state. Series of Roman Imperial denarii from Julius Caesar to Constantine; tetradrachm struck in Asia of Marc Antony and Octavia; Augustus (2), one with a grand portrait. Jewish copper coins, including "mites" of Herod the Great, Pontius Pilate. England—Gold sovereign of Mary with the earliest date on an English gold coin, 1453; Elizabeth, sovereign; Charles I, three-pound piece in gold, with declaration on reverse; George IV, five-pound pattern proof; Victoria, same, reverse Queen and lion; crown of Elizabeth. Wurttemberg, rare dollars of Wilhelm, 1677; Elizabeth, 1686, wearing lace veil. Furstenberg, Joseph Wenzel, 1767, proof. American Colonials—Lord Baltimore sixpence, the finest known; Carolina elephant, fine; John Higley token with broad-axe, 1737; States of Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, in unusually fine preservation, including rare New York cents of 1787, arms of the State, both varieties head to I. in very fine condition; the very rare Indian standing, reverse NEO-EBORACUS, eagle on section of globe. United States—Eagles 1795-98, the latter very rare; the excessively rare half eagle 1797, two varieties, 15 and 16 stars; \$3 1877, extremely fine; a set of gold dollars, including very rare mints; silver dollars, quarters, dimes, half dimes; patterns 1836 gold and silver dollars, the latter signed in field and on base; 1838, 1839, all unusually brilliant proofs; extremely rare 1872 dollar with Liberty and eagle; minor patterns. Proprietary Gold Coins of California—\$50, six octagonal, including first type, 1851, 1852; the extremely rare \$20 by Wass, Molitor & Co., of which only about six are known; extremely rare Humbert \$20 of 1852; U. S. Assay Office \$10; Moffatt & Co. \$20, 1853; Colorado, excessively rare Parsons & Co. \$2.50; Clark, Gruber & Co. \$10, view of Pike's Peak, regular types \$5, \$2½; Oregon, 1849, beaver; Utah, Mormon, 1849, \$5, \$2½; 1860, lion, reverse eagle with beehive on breast, in uncirculated condition; Georgia, Templeton Reid, 1830, \$2.50, extremely fine and very rare; Carolina, C. Bechtler, \$2.50, two rare varieties; \$5, four, including excessively rare A. Bechtler, Rutherford, reverse 128.G.—22.—Carats.

L. JEROME WOOLSEY, Rochester, N. Y.—Selections from Mr. Woolsey's general collection were representative of several series. Ancient Greece and Rome divided interest with Medieval Europe, and the exhibit of multiple crowns, encased stamps and Colonial paper money were particu-

larly notable. One of the early thalers of Bohemia, dated 1486, popularly referred to as the "first dollar," caught the optics of the many lookers.

HARRY F. WILLIAMS, Chicago, Ill.—The specialized collection of the gold coins of Latin America with which Mr. Williams favored last year's convention was again shown, augmented by additions made during the year, which included an 8-escudo of Confederatio Argentina, dated 1845, of a type struck only in that year; two 1-escudo pieces of Peru, one from the Cuzco mint, the other from the Lima mint; the 8 and 4 escudos ("CR" mint) of the Republica del Centro de America, and one of 1-escudo denomination from the same republic but from the N. G. mint; a 20-peso piece of Salvador and a 20-peso piece of Costa Rica; this latter denomination is not known in the table of coinage of Costa Rica; an 8-peso of Guatemala dated 1864; this denomination has not been shown in the catalogues of any collections heretofore published; and a 5-peso piece of Honduras dated 1895. What Mr. Williams considers the rarest coin of Spanish America was his prize acquisition of the year, shown in the 60-peso piece dated 1916 of the Provisional Government of Oaxaca, twenty-one only of which were struck. The design of this piece is similar to the one generally used on the coinage of Oaxaca dated 1915 and described in our pages for October, 1916. It is believed to be of standard coin gold and with a bullion value of about \$30 in United States money, an unusual, if not unique, denomination. Classing this piece as the rarest gold coin of Spanish America, it is exceeded in rarity in the greater America-Latin, the "king bee" of which was shown by Mr. Williams in the 1822 Brazil peca of Peter I, of which but four specimens are known. The Popper gold coins, \$1 and \$5, of Tierra del Fuego, were among other rarities. Mr. Williams says he was particularly fortunate during the past year in the number of additions to his collection. It has grown to such proportions towards completeness that two specimens a year ago are his expectations.

HENRY CHAPMAN, Philadelphia, Pa.—As usual, one of the largest Convention exhibits. The piece of greatest public interest in the exhibit was the 1804 silver dollar, original, which, for many years and until its recent purchase by Mr. Chapman, has been in the Watters collection, Liverpool, England. This was the first American exhibit of this specimen since its dispatch to England, probably at the time struck, and it is believed to be the finest known specimen, having a fine proof surface and in absolutely perfect condition. Among the numerous coins shown were exceptionally fine specimens of ancient Greek and Roman, and modern European gold coins, many of large size and extreme rarity. In the American series, which was well represented in every department, was the believed unique and previously unpublished 1797 half eagle with 16 stars, perfect date, and the reverse with the large or "heraldic" eagle. The coin is in beautiful proof condition and is said to be the only specimen of this variety known. This was its first public exhibition and held the interest of all collectors. Among the extreme rarities in the United States series in extraordinary condition were the 1839 dollar, 1796 and 1797 half dollars, and a quarter dollar of 1823. American Colonials of every series and from coins to paper, and early U. S. cents and half cents, all of the highest order, were also shown. In the exhibit of private gold, which represented many series, was a fine specimen of the 1849 \$2½ Mormon. An item which had the interest and was a surprise to visitors was a piece from the original Liberty Bell and the documents proving its authenticity. Among the rare Confederate notes shown was a \$500, 1861, in original condition. The most notable medallion specimen was a large silver plaque of Goethe by Scharff; Mr. Chapman says "one of the two that the artist made, retouching them with his own hands, and is a wonderful example of portraiture in the medal."

W. H. AMBERG, Rochester, N. Y.—In Mr. Amberg's well-filled case were selections from his collection of Canadians. Many varieties of the Boquet Sou series and scarce tokens were shown.

HARRY A. GRAY, Roxbury, Mass.—A specialized collection of the Civil War fractional notes of Massachusetts, comprising 325 varieties.



E. H. ADAMS, New York.—Private exhibitions from his extraordinary stock of coins relating to Latin America.

MORITZ WORMSER, New York City.—A selection from his collection showing coins and medals of odd sizes not round, of German governments, bishoprics, princes, cities, etc., among them the following: Salzburg—Paris, quadruple square thaler, 1628, and triple square thaler, 1629. East Frisia—Enno, double square thaler, 1615. Lippe—Fred. Adolph, octagon thaler, 1715; square one-quarter thaler, 1713; and Simon Henry Adolph, octagon one-half thaler, 1727. Bohemia—Frederick of the Palatinate, oval medal upon his election, 1819. Germany—Emperor Rudolph II, oval medal, 1604. Peace with the Turks. Also, a very unusual silver medal showing Kaiser William II wearing a full beard, and a number of square crowns of Saxony.

ALBERT E. LOIZEAU, Rochester, N. Y.—A complete proof set of the coins of George V of England, and various interesting modern coins and historical medals.

B. MAX MEHL, Fort Worth, Tex.—Many notable specimens as to condition and rarity of private gold coins, including Templeton Reid, Georgia, \$2½ and \$10; Bechtler, Rutherford County, \$5; Oregon Exchange Co., \$5 and \$10; a complete set of Pike's Peak, Conway & Co. \$5 and Parsons & Co. \$2½ were representative of Colorado; and among the Californias were the Schultz & Co. \$5 and the Moffat & Co. \$16 ingot. Some rare medals and oddities from other series, and his showing from the Adler collection of U. S. cents found many buyers.

LOUIS G. AMBERG, Rochester, N. Y.—Proof and very fine condition United States silver and copper coins and choice Oriental pieces in various metals, including gold. A choice specimen of the Maccabean shekel had particular attention from city visitors.

JOHN E. MORSE, Hadley, Mass.—A general exhibit of paper money representing several periods and countries, and including rare "shinplasters" and church scrip.

RUD KOHLER, New York.—Private exhibition of new issues and recently acquired oddities in coin and paper.

GEORGE P. FRENCH, Rochester, N. Y.—Several groups of interested ones were pleased with private exhibitions by Doctor French of his unrivaled collection of United States cents, which now exceeds 900 varieties, finest condition known prevailing.

A. A. LEVE, Syracuse, N. Y.—Historical financial documents, early United States notes and current paper money of many countries were privately shown. Among Mr. Leve's many interesting specimens was a Civil War Bounty Warrant for \$300.

GEORGE J. BAUER, Rochester, N. Y.—Medallic art specimens of Greece, portrait coins of Rome, United States gold and silver and early Chinese pieces composed Mr. Bauer's large exhibit. He has from boyhood been interested in the token money of China, and his collection includes many of the very rare specimens. Notable among them are several spear-head shapes.

ELMER S. SEARS, Swansea, Mass.—The extremes of gold coin sizes were shown in a Japanese oban, one of the largest, and the smallest in the mite, called pata, of Southern India. A selection from his stock of ancients from 400 B. C. to 160 A. D.; rare gold coins of India, extremely fine condition; rare United States cents and first issues of United States currency, including compound-interest notes. The arrangement of this exhibit made it particularly attractive, and it received much favorable comment.

JEAN MAUNOVRY, Rochester, N. Y.—A large number of siege and necessity pieces, many in shape other than round—a comprehensive exhibit emblematic of history in the making by Mars.

WAYTE RAYMOND, New York.—In addition to selections from his stock of early Greek and Roman, rare American Colonials and U. S. cents, there was shown the finest known specimen of the Bechtler \$2½ with 70 G. 20C.; the "Schoolgirl," "Amazonian" and other rare U. S. pattern dollars; Spanish American proclamation pieces; European double and triple crowns, and a series of Hard Times tokens, including some of the extreme rarities.

F. B. KING, Rochester, N. Y.—Choice specimens of the copper plate money of Sweden, ½, 1, 2 and 4 dalers.

A. J. deLAGERBERG, Passaic, N. J.—Complete set of the minor coins of Sweden struck in iron and dated 1917. These, apparently, are from the same dies used by Sweden in recent years for its copper coinage. It has been said for some time that the Teuton nations, due to their needs for copper for war purposes, have stripped neutral countries of copper coins, and Sweden, which will probably be followed by other neutrals, has substituted iron for copper in the effort to keep in circulation coins of small value.

JOSEPH KOEB, Rochester, N. Y.—A set of the portrait medals of the presidents of the Rochester Numismatic Association, the dies for all of which were cut by Mr. Koeb, whose medallic products are well and favorably known to many of our members; the official Award Medal of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition.

FARRAN ZERBE, Tyrone, Pa.—Selections from the 1917 additions to his exhibit collection. "The Money of the World," mostly composed of necessity coin and paper issues relating to the war and United States local "Emergency Currency" of 1907 and 1914, the latter date being extremely rare, as their issue, for which there was no need, was due to a misunderstanding; they were paid out for about two hours in a few localities, and when the mistake was discovered every effort was made to recall and promptly destroy them. Checks of notable personages, including Washington and Lincoln, and error printings of Government notes. An exhibit which had the attention of both press and public was a copy of the Government warrant for \$40,000,000, dated 1904, the instrument in payment for this country's purchase of France's interests in the Panama Canal Zone, and which up to 1917 was our largest single public transaction. Early publications relating to the A. N. A. included first issues of THE NUMISMATIST, first constitution and by-laws, with roster of the original 61 members, and first convention program, Chicago, 1893.

GEORGE A. GILLETTE, Rochester, N. Y.—Large-sized medals of historical interest relating to many series and periods. An interesting centerpiece in Mr. Gillette's case was a print from an old publication entitled, "Ye Coin Buzge," with this reference:

"Note: This sketch illustrates the unsympathetic attitude of the uninitiated public toward the numismatist.

"The ecstasy of the coin bug over his hobby is generally wasted except when communicated to those infected with the same disease.

"Even the faithful cat, by her expression, seems to say, 'Rats', and has her ear plugged so that she cannot hear his ravings."

L. T. Brodstone, of Superior, Neb., publisher of the *Philatelic West*, and Dr. H. A. Davis of Colorado Springs, Col., came to the Convention following their attendance of the convention of the American Philatelic Association and the sale of a part of the notable Worthington stamp collection. Mr. Brodstone reported extraordinary prices were bid for rare stamps at this sale, one in particular being \$4100 for the inverted center, error. 15-cent United States, series of 1859.



## The Social Side of the Convention.

BY DELMONT L. ANGELL.

From a purely social point of view the eighteenth annual convention of the American Numismatic Association has had established by the members of Rochester branch a standard which will be difficult in future to maintain. Not only is this due to the numerical strength of this local organization, which in personnel and enthusiasm is in a class by itself, but also to the fact that Rochester is an ideal convention city, as is manifest in its wonderful development, intense civic pride in all that makes for the betterment of public welfare, its beautiful streets and palatial homes, through which pervades a cleanliness and quiet refinement that is refreshing and restful to the stranger. Few there were of the visitors who even imagined the manifold beauties of this busy municipality nestling in a setting of giant oaks, and split by the picturesque Genesee river, made famous a few score years ago by one Sam Patch in his famous leap over Genesee Falls, which exploit was perpetuated in highly colored pictorial form familiar to the older members present. The hotels are large and commodious, and within an hour's ride are many attractive lake and other resorts which lend an additional charm to a city which may be justly termed a natural summer resort.

Beautiful Memorial Art Gallery was a happy selection in which to hold the business sessions and for the display of exhibits, and every possible courtesy was extended by its officers and the employees.

Splendid aid was rendered the visiting ladies of the convention by the wives of the members of the local branch, resulting in a genuine get-together spirit that augurs well for future gatherings of the Association. Innumerable informal luncheons and varied entertainment marked their efforts, and everything possible was done for their comfort and welfare.

Saturday morning was spent in getting the cases and their supports in position and installing the exhibits. The former task was principally the work of Hustling Harry Yawger, who from the first moment was the spark that set everything in motion. Much credit is due Messrs. Yawger, Fred King, Louis Amberg and others for the completeness in point of detail of all the arrangements; also to Fred King's friend (whose name has for the moment escaped me), and whose high-powered machine was commandeered as well as his services to add to the pleasure of the visiting guests.

While the men were enjoying their smoker at the Hotel Rochester on the evening of Saturday, the 25th, the ladies of the visiting party were being tendered a theater party.

On Sunday was scheduled an automobile ride to the pretty spa town of Avon, en route to which a visit was paid to the government fish hatchery. This feature of the drive proved most interesting to the visitors, who manifested a keen interest in what the United States is doing to perpetuate and increase the gamey and detectable brook trout. Leaving this bower of beauty in the matter of locale the journey was resumed to Avon, where an "almost" dinner was served, but due to the keenness of the appetites generated by the altogether delightful ride, this one little shadow on an otherwise perfect program was soon overlooked and forgotten by all—except by the writer, whose record must go forth unaltered and unamended. No Avon would be Avon without its Bard, and we had ours. Dr. French recited some original verses of a patriotic character, set to music, which further evidenced the versatility of this genius of an entertainer. Both the sentiment and rendition were generously applauded, and we will have to score up an additional uncalculated accomplishment for this big-hearted and valued member of the A. N. A.

Monday dawned bright and beautiful and every minute of the day was occupied by the business session, the official photograph at noon and a further afternoon business session. At 4 o'clock a comprehensive automobile ride, which assumed the dignity of a parade, was enjoyed by the members through the Forest City's beautiful streets and boulevards. Then it was that the visitors' eyes were delighted and amazed by this splendid example of civic development.

At 6 an informal dinner was scheduled at the Hotel Rochester, which, in respect to quality and arrangement was a gem. The service was a revo-

lution in the matter of dispatch, and the hotel is to be congratulated on its corps of waiters, led by a chief who would have made his mark as a commanding officer in the regular army. The music for this occasion was most delightful and was furnished by Mrs. Claude Borraile and visiting guest. After this gastronomic classic had been disposed of, the members returned to the art gallery, which had been thrown open to the general public to view the exhibits. A representative crowd of Rochesterians availed themselves of the opportunity to view the exhibits and manifested a keen interest in the display.

Never once were the prices quoted for Columbian half dollars asked for, and nobody presented an 1853 quarter or half dollar "with."

Another pleasant and unusual feature!

J. Woolsey tendered an informal luncheon to all present, which was served in the commodious grillroom of Sibley, Lindsay & Kerr. This proved one of the choicest bits in the way of entertainment and was unexpected and uncared. Post-prandial four-minute addresses were the order of the occasion, and the "grand old man" of the Rochester branch was tendered a rising vote of thanks in recognition of his graceful and highly enjoyed effort on behalf of his guests. He responded in a few well-chosen words, and his listeners will cherish a lasting memory of this most delightful event. At the same hour the visiting ladies were being entertained in like manner by the home ladies.

Four o'clock found the crowd ready for the trip to Manitou Beach, where a banquet rivaling the Hotel Rochester dinner was served at the Hotel Manitou. It was here that the oratorical ability of Farran Zerbe, Carl Wurtzbach, Dr. George P. French, Howland Wood, R. W. McLachlan, Elmer Sears, Hudson Chapman, Fred Merritt, Moritz Wormser and others was brought into play by Toastmaster Judson Brenner, who presided with the grace and dignity that mark any of his efforts.

Previous to the dinner a little comedy was injected into the occasion. Messrs. Carl Wurtzbach, of Lee, Mass., Max Mehl, of Fort Worth, Tex., and Dell Angell, of Milwaukee, Wis., evinced a desire to do a little Annette Kellermann. The day being somewhat cloudy and cool, it might have been a case of the wise hesitating where fools run ahead. Be that as it may, the hotel manager discouraged the attempt by stating that the only two female bathers had been fished out during the day and had to have whisky administered to set them right. Whether there is any connection between this admonition and the fact that Carl Wurtzbach in his precipitate haste slipped into the water up to his knees, deponent sayeth not. However, this did not abate their zeal, and after routing out an old patriarch sans whiskers, who admitted 70 years and talked like 170, they were furnished bathing suits cut V-shape at the neck and W at the bottom. Max Mehl asked the conductor if a barrel went with them or if they passed the censor down there "as is," and he replied that he guessed they did, as nobody paid much attention to what they wore!

Shades of Sam Patch! and Dr. French missed all this fun!

Although the day was threatening and marred by a slight, drizzling rain, it did not dampen the ardor of the pleasure seekers one whit, and the trip was voted a regular excursion by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yawger had as dinner guests Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Raymond and bride of New York, whose honeymoon has lasted three months, and in the opinion of the writer bids fair to last a lifetime. This charming little lady made many friends while in Rochester and endeared herself to all who came within range of her guns. Easy to see how the violent and tempestuous Wayne was subdued.

Dr. and Mrs. George P. French had as guests at a dinner party on the same evening: Dr. and Mrs. Henderson, of Columbus, O.; Mrs. Birmingham, of Rochester, and Fred Merritt, of Philadelphia.

Mr. George Bauer gave a dinner at Sibley's on Wednesday to Hudson Chapman, Mr. Gillette, Rud Kohler, Ebenezer Beesley and Max Mehl. Mr. Bauer at the business session on Tuesday suggested that the most beautiful peace medal obtainable be struck at the conclusion of the world war expressive of the sentiment of the A. N. A., and healed any effort in this direction with a subscription of \$100. This fine show of patriotism was applauded to the echo and a rising vote of thanks tendered its projector.



Mr. H. F. Williams, of Chicago, whose comprehensive collection of South American gold was so much admired, possesses a rare charm as a raconteur and entertained many of the visitors with a dissertation on the customs and modes of living of some of the races in the South American group of republics. He was interesting at all times.

The erudite and loquacious Henry Chapman, of Philadelphia, also a globe trotter and close observer, was another who had the attention of the ladies as well as the coarser sex in his recitals.

The convention would have lacked something without the presence of Edgar H. Adams, whose genial smile and ever-present optimism are a tonic to jaded nerves and tired eyes. Brown as a berry and with muscles of steel, he came in fresh from bungalow building at Oyster Bay. If personality spells success, the Colonel had better fence in his laurels.

Col. F. T. Loer, of Chicago, not quite so vigorous as of yore, was once more a visitor to the convention. May he attend many others.

Secretary and Mrs. Oliver, of Springfield, Mass., thoroughly enjoyed the convention, although the former was kept pretty busy with his official duties.

Elmer Sears and Dr. French's daughter furnished a surprise at the Hotel Rochester dinner by giving a terpsichorean bit that was as classy as that of some professional dancers.

An unexpected pleasure was in store for the writer when he renewed an acquaintance with Manager Milton Roblee of the Hotel Rochester which began thirty-four years previously. It was great to grasp the hand of a friend of a generation ago and find plenty of the "pep" that marked their first meeting, and greater still to feel the warmth of greeting of a charming daughter grown to womanhood when she uttered the words, "I am happy to meet my father's friend!" Both men saw each other as he looked in that summer time of 1883, and in retrospect thought of the many changes in that half of life's span.

Claude Borradaile and his self-styled "uncirculated flivver" were always in evidence. No matter by which door one left the gallery, Mr. Borradaile was in waiting to drive you to the hotel or elsewhere.

On Thursday Mr. Yawger drove Judson Brenner and Messrs. Beesley and Angell to the cemeteries, where in one an inspection was made of the crematory. Mr. Brenner avers he was brought up in a cemetery, and judging from his convincing and alluring description of a niche or crypt in a mausoleum, only the lack of a shower or at least running water deters one from engaging quarters instantler.

As a last good-bye is said at the cemetery, so we shall say—not good-bye—but simply "auf wiedersehen"—to Rochester the Beautiful, to the virility of its two-score members of the A. N. A., and the women folk of these members, all of whom did so much to make the memory of the eighteenth annual convention of the American Numismatic Association as dainty and lasting as the choicest of oriental perfumes and as glorious as the blossoms that made it possible. Again we say, "auf wiedersehen," Rochester, and our hats are in our hands as we say it!

Milwaukee, Wis.

## Convention Notes and Echoes.

(By Various Contributors.)

The stop at the New York State fish hatchery during the Sunday afternoon motor ride from Rochester for the dinner at Avon, twenty-two miles distant, was enjoyed by all. The hatchery's attendants put on their best show and fish of many species, age and size, and gave correct imitations of feeding on beef liver. This, which is said to be the world's first fish hatchery, experiments with fish natural to many distant waters.

A social session of speechmaking followed the dinner at Manitou Bench. Former President Brenner was at home as toastmaster, and felicitations to the R. N. A. and apropos witticisms came in response to his

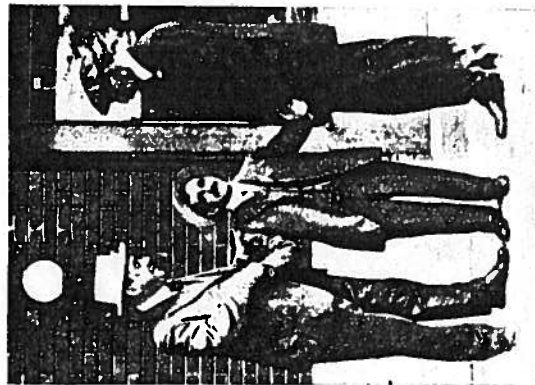
calls on Messrs. Wurtzbach, Granberg, Zerbe, Joy, Wood, Jenkins, Sears, Herderson, King, Merritt, and Wormser.

Dealer Kohler was liberal in the distribution of his advertising and useful pocket millimeter scales.

Dr. and Mrs. Henderson motored from their home in Columbus, Ohio, by way of Tyrone, Pa., where they were joined by Farran Zerbe. En route to Rochester they enjoyed a day amid nature's wonders at Watkins Glen, and, on the return, at Niagara Falls.

President Wurtzbach and Vice-President McLachlan, after the Convention, journeyed together to Toronto.

Physical proportions cut but little figure in numismatics. Its devotees come tall and they come short, and at an A. N. A. convention the extremes meet, as is shown in the photograph reproduced here. On the left



and right we have Dr. Geo. P. French, the newly-elected First Vice-President of the A. N. A., and Fred B. King, one of the members of the new Board of Governors, both of Rochester. In the center is Ebenezer Beesley, the boy-size man of New Rochelle, N. Y. What he lacks in size he makes up in enthusiasm over A. N. A. conventions and numismatics in general. He is a fountain of good nature—a rival to Messrs. French and King in this respect. The photographer caught the trio just after Mr. Beesley had tried to side-step one of the social features, but was caught in the act by the other two and hustled into a waiting auto for the ride to Avon and the dinner that followed.

Oscar Engstrom of Buffalo, N. Y., reported continued additions and improvement of his specialized collection of the money of Sweden, particularly the copper-plate series, which is now probably the most complete in America. Mr. Engstrom showed a very rare and interesting Swedish bank-note of the seventeenth century.

Retiring President Granberg had the marked attention and interest of the Convention during his address just preceding adjournment. It was an earnest talk, full of reminiscences and reviewing the progress of the A. N. A.

The gracious invitation extended by Mr. Hudson Chapman, on behalf



of himself and his brother, Mr. Henry Chapman, to hold our 1918 convention in Philadelphia was not presented until the closing session of the Convention. That this invitation was to come was not generally understood. No formal invitation had been filed, and Boston was the tentative selection as our next Convention city previous to Mr. Chapman's announcement, and was a consideration in the Convention vote for officers. Had Mr. Chapman's invitation been presented in advance of the closing of the polls there is no doubt that Philadelphia would have been represented on the Board of Governors elected.

On the way home from Avon on Sunday afternoon Dr. French forgot numismatics and pleasure for a time while he dressed the wounds of four persons injured in an auto accident. The injured were not of the A. N. A. party.

Under portrait coins of "The Cause of It All," Dealer Sears displayed the following:

#### THE KAISER'S PRAYER.

Mine Gott, will you be mine partner?  
You don't know who I am:  
I am the German Kaiser.

The Emperor, I am!

You know I whipped dem Belgians  
Und mit bullets filled Russia full,  
Und I'll whip France und Italy  
Und blow up Johnny Bull.

You know dem other nations,  
I don't give a dam.  
If you just be my partner  
Und whip dat Uncle Sam.

You know I got dem submarines.  
All Europe knows it well.  
But dot Edison got a partner now  
Yot blows dem all to hell.

Now Gott, if you will do this  
Den you I will always love,  
Und I'll be Emperor of de earth  
Und you be Emperor above.

But Gott, if you refuse me this,  
Tomorrow night at eleven,  
I will call my Zeppelins out  
And declare war on Heaven.

I would not ask dis from you ;  
But it can be plainly seen,  
Dot when Edison push dot button,  
I got no submarine.

"Josher" commented that while he was no judge of verse, he thought Sears scored over the bereaved mother who sent the following to her local paper:

Dear Willie is an angel.  
The good Lord for him sent.  
The doctor couldn't save him.  
And so we let him went.

Former President Henderson, of Columbus, O., continues to hold the record for Convention attendance. From convention photographs one might conclude that his A. N. A. badge bars are outnumbered by his children. Not quite correct. He just adopts the kiddies for picture purposes.

The A. N. A. is ever anxious to encourage ambition in its new and younger members, but its position today demands, when called upon, a high order of service in the numismatic world, and long-time working, faithful members deserve recognition for service, both of which are essential considerations by its members in the selection of officers, and has emphasis in the result of the 1917 election. In the selection of officers numismatic and administrative qualifications are the first requisite, and when they are found coupled with acceptance in a member who has been

productive of new members, a near regular convention attendant, the contributor of papers or articles for our publications, there is a consummation that calls for and, according to past records, receives support leading to election; and highest honors usually come in the process of elevation from other office.

How old is the young man George J. Bauer? one of the Rochester Association's past Presidents, was a general question when his name was noted as the contributor of a paper "The Jetons of France" on a printed program of the A. N. A.'s third but first notable convention, held in Chicago, August 21, 1893, that was shown at the Convention. Some guessed that the paper contributor must have been "our George's" father, but they missed the mark, for it was our George of 1917 who started early to do numismatic stunts well worth recording near a quarter of a century ago and who is keeping young by continuing with a good turn when there is a chance to volunteer.

Twelve papers were read at the 1893 convention and published in THE NUMISMATIST during 1894. No later convention has been favored with so many papers, and we doubt if more wholesome numismatic food has been offered at any of our conventions than was found in these well-prepared manuscripts. As material for publication they made possible the ambition of the founder and editor, the greatly lamented Doctor Heath, to make THE NUMISMATIST more than a pamphlet. Commencing in 1894 it assumed magazine size and pretensions upon which our present publication has been built. Of the contributors of these good papers, in addition to Mr. Bauer, whose interest and help continues with us, are Dr. Jeremiah Zimmermann of Syracuse, N. Y.; the venerable Joseph Hooper of Rochester, N. Y.; Daniel F. Howorth, Ashton-under-Lyne, England; Henry Russell Drowne, and Augustus G. Heaton, both of New York City.

Among the conventionites who extended their Convention trip to Niagara Falls were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond and Mr. and Mrs. Kohler.

The Convention roll shows a gratifying increase in the number of members usually present from Canada. In order to send that imaginary line into oblivion numismatically, Canadian members are particularly welcomed at our meets.

Comments by dealers indicate the Convention business was in every way satisfactory. There were eager buyers for desirable pieces with market prices well sustained. One dealer reported business in excess of \$10,000.

Competition to corner the reporter market by those who thrive on publicity was reported as keen, with daily indication in published reports of see-saw success. It was a case of *see* who *saw* him first. Evidently there was a considerable short interest, as coverings continued for some days after the Convention closed. A good example to all—It pays to advertise.

Pent-up feelings for joyousness had their explosion on the going and coming from Manitou Beach in the special car provided for the trip. It was the one time that the convention party was packed together. Packed is near right. They hung the S. R. O. sign on the ceiling. Brenner led the funmakers, with Wurtzbach, McLachlan and Sears as chief assistants, and any lull in the stunts found all joining in the 1917 A. N. A. yell.

#### Reflections by an Enthusiast.

Hats off to the ladies—the largest number in attendance at any convention. And did you notice their activity? They started things moving the first night, and kept at it through the entire convention. They never missed a convention session, theatre party, auto ride, the auction sale, the exhibits, luncheon, tea, dinner, or getting friend Hubby to bed not later than 2 A. M. Always present, always helping, always doing something, always saying something—well, we hope they will always be present at future conventions.



Mrs. Yawger was hostess Saturday evening for a chicken dinner, and theatre party. Mrs. French entertained at luncheon Monday noon. Tuesday at noon Mrs. Woolsey entertained with a tea at the "Pine Tree" tea room—very appropriate name for devotees of Numisma.

We predict there will be several new members admitted to the A. N. A. soon, and they will be ladies. Men, here is a quiet tip we overheard:—The ladies were all planning to attend the convention at Philadelphia next year.

Numismatists in the United States are getting very closely associated, and the most cordial feeling was manifested at the convention. Members from nearly if not all the numismatic societies in this country were present. We greeted members of the American Numismatic Society, New York Numismatic Club, Ohio State Numismatic Society, Montreal Society, Pacific Coast Society, Philadelphia Society, Chicago Society, Pittsburgh Society, Boston Society, Rochester Society.—Have we missed any?

The Convention auction sale was well attended. Many fine bargains were knocked down by the auctioneer, "Doc" French. When bidding was slow the Doctor would boost the price and sell the lot to Woolsey or Gillette. Guess they are still sorting those lots and placing them in their cabinets. When the war issues were sold there were a number of bidders, but Kelly (Chicago) was the only buyer. Many ladies were present, some with notebook keeping tab on hubby, who had rashly promised to contribute to wife an amount equal to that which he spent for coins. That French-man made a big mistake when he chose his profession. He has the making of a real auctioneer. Fred Merritt relieved him later in the evening, or early in the morning, we forget which, and finished the sale in regulation time.

When you want a thing done, get Harry Yawger to do it. "Not a thing done that should not have been done, not a thing left undone that should have been done," appears to have been his motto in carrying out the various features of entertainment. Always ready on time, smiling, happy, earnest, looking after everyone's comfort, he made the ideal master of ceremonies.

We wonder what was the cause of Dr. French missing the trolley to Manitou Beach, where we were served an elegant chicken dinner. It was the only time that the Doctor was ever in danger of missing the good things to eat. However, he hired a taxi, and arrived in time—but he refused to tell why he missed the car.

#### Seen and Heard.

Harry Yawger, in order to put through all the plans for entertainment, had his "anatomical engine" geared so high that forty miles an hour was a mere trifle. We who went to Avon on the Sunday trip know.

On Saturday night the visiting ladies were entertained at dinner at the Hofbrau, movies, then Whittle's. Two of the ladies strayed from the party and when last seen were headed due West. They missed an automobile ride given by the ever-ready and gallant Mr. King.

The least said about Sunday's dinner, the sooner forgotten, but the picture taken does credit to Mr. Bunnell.

Mrs. French entertained the ladies at luncheon at Sibley's tea room on Monday.

On Monday afternoon we were hustled through the city parks, and at 7 p. m. sat down to a fourteen-course dinner at the Hotel Rochester. The eats were the finest and served as only the Hotel Rochester can serve. Music was furnished by Mrs. Borradaile at the piano and a violinist, and added "pep" to the affair. About seventy were served.

On Tuesday noon Mrs. Woolsey entertained the ladies at luncheon at the Pine Tree Inn. At the same time Mr. Woolsey took about forty men to Sibley's Tea Room.

Dr. and Mrs. French entertained Dr. and Mrs. Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver, Mrs. Birmingham and Mr. Merritt at dinner at their home on Tuesday.

On Friday night Mr. and Mrs. Yawger gave a dinner to Dr. and Mrs. French, Mrs. Birmingham and Mr. Merritt.

Wonder if all the ladies have tried Mr. Archibald Converse's silver polish. It is certainly all right—just eats tarnish, and digests it, too. We all had a very taking way when it was passed around.

Must not fail to speak of Tuesday's dinner and dance at Manitou Beach. It was lamentable that dancing was out of the question, as the music was alluring, but time and conditions did not allow it. We will not dwell on the trolley trip home; sufficient to say that umbrellas were in demand, although it was not raining at that time. Safety first.

This year's Convention seemed to bring the ladies closer together. They appeared to be having the best kind of a time, and to prove that they did, they will have to get together next year with as much energy and spirit.

Mr. Howland Wood entertained a number at dinner on Tuesday night at Manitou Beach.

Mr. Beesley is editing a book on "War Gardens," or "How to Make Cucumbers Grow on Squash Vines."

During the Convention Mr. Sears renewed an acquaintance of twenty years ago.

#### Random Shots.

Dr. French's vivid hand-painted neckties made a big hit at the Convention.

Wayte Raymond yearned for one of them as much as for a unique three-cent piece.

Brenner and McLachlan were the life of the party on the trip back from Manitou.

Bye-the-bye, Brenner has as many jewels as the crowned heads had before the war.

There were no politics discussed at the Convention. All apparently were of the same mind.

The three W's, Williams, Wood and Wornuser, took in all the side-shows.

The swiftest coin auction ever held took place in Rochester.

Henry Chapman was accompanied by a boil on his neck.

One of the clerks at the Hotel Rochester sported the name Coyne. This numismatic discovery was made by Ebenezer Beesley.

Fort Worth and Syracuse were represented at the Convention in a quiet sort of way.

On Sunday Dr. French lent some gasoline to a stranded motorist and



on Monday ran out of the fluid himself, and spent two hours trying to get more. It is all right being a Good Samaritan, but it has its limitations.

Foster Lardner was, as usual, the unofficial photographer of the Convention.

There were one and a half dress suits in the whole party.

A new grandfather was present, also a near bride and groom.

There was keen rivalry between Dr. Henderson and Henry Chapman for possession of the floor at the business meetings.

For real zest for hard work Brenner ran a close second to Yawger.

According to the newspapers, everyone had one or more coins worth from one to five thousand dollars, which were carried loose in the collector's pockets with keys, knives and other hardware. When will the newspapers ever learn better?

A boom should be started to popularize the Convention Medal of Honor. Every member who has attended any convention should write to John M. Oliver, General Secretary, and order one, and then see how many bars he can add by attending future conventions.

One man in 1915 went to San Francisco so as to beat his nearest rival on bars.

#### Observations by One of the Scouts.

Rochester:  
Rochester:  
A. N. A.  
Jolly good fellows  
Every way!  
R-----OCHESTER:

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It is rumored that La Petit Nina has signed a contract with Oscar Hammerstein for the duration of the war, after which she will resume her dancing specialties at the Theatre Royal, Paris.

If in the coming year McLachlan continues to feel as young as he did on the ride to Manitou and back, the Convention of the A. N. A. in 1918 had better be held on the beach at Atlantic City.

We should not be surprised to learn in the near future that our own Ebenezer has superseded Charlie Chaplin.

Strange as it may seem to our members, Dr. Henderson ran out of gasoline during the first part of the Convention. However, he succeeded in getting a new supply and spoke six times in five minutes (ask Mac), which is going some for most of us, but has gotten to be second nature with the genial doctor.

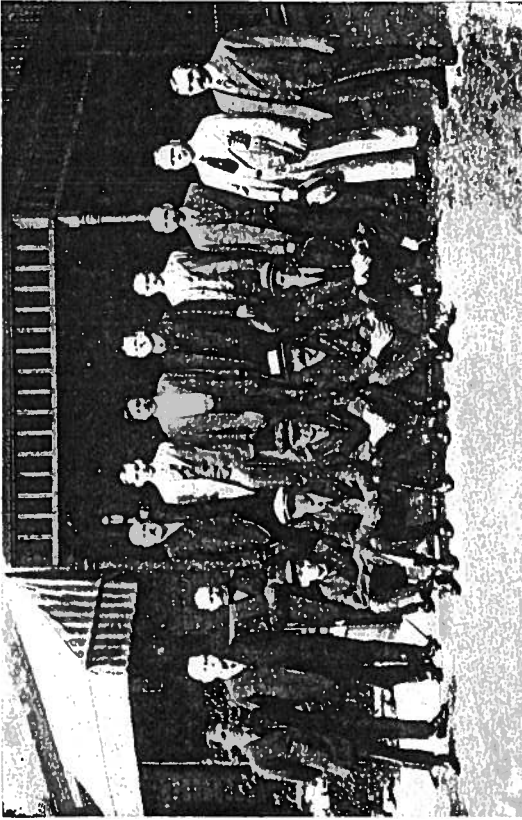
Hail to the Chief! Massachusetts has once again offered one of her sons, and the A. N. A. is benefited thereby.

What a hand to draw to the King-Woolsey-Yawger combination would make.

Billie Sunday has nothing on a certain four of our members when it comes to "brightening up the corners." "And the brewer's big horses can't run over them."

## Combining Numismatics With Pleasure.

That things are not always what they seem is proven by a glance at the photograph reproduced below. Judging from the facial expressions, the members of the group might have gathered to discuss some weighty subject or to take part in some serious matter.



Nothing of the kind. They are all members of the Rochester Numismatic Association, and the photograph was taken at Batavia, N. Y., during the automobile ride and outing of the Association on July 12. The most serious question considered by them during the trip was how they could crowd the most pleasure and enjoyment into a single day's outing.

## A Medal on the Defense of Verdun.

Military history records few instances where a city has successfully withstood for so long a time such tremendous efforts of an invading army to take it as that of Verdun in the present European war, and the issue of a medal to commemorate the gallant French defense of the city seems entirely fitting.



The medal, which is by Vernier, is illustrated here through the courtesy of Mr. Albert A. Southwick, a member of the New York Numismatic Club, and was exhibited before the Club at its August meeting. It was struck in accordance with a resolution of the Municipal Council of November, 1916, to commemorate the repulse of the German assaults, which were begun on February 20, 1916.





For the  
Rochester Numismatic Association  
with best wishes  
T. T. Lardner



An enlargement from a picture taken by F. L. with a small  
hand camera —



**Hotel Rochester**  
September 4, 1917

129th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association called to order by  
H. H. Yawger, Vice President.

Members present: Messrs. Borradaile - Yawger - Handler - Koeb - Bauer -  
Clarke - Maunovry - L. G. Amberg - W. H. Amberg - Horner -  
Gillette - Bunnell - Young - French - Plumb.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

A report of the A. N. A. Convention by Secretary Handler was read and  
ordered sent to the Numismatist.

A picture taken by Mr. Bunnell of Mr. King, Mr. Beasley and Dr. French,  
in front of Mr. King's place of business, was shown and upon suggestion  
will be sent to the Numismatist.

Report of Mr. Yawger covering the Convention expenses was read and all were  
happy to learn it was found all expenses were paid and money left over.

Mr. L. G. Amberg reported that Mr. Wood, of Hamilton, Ont., while in Rochester  
attending the Convention, gave a nice collection of coins to the Rochester  
Municipal Museum, and a vote of thanks was given Mr. Wood.

Mr. R. M. McLachlan also gave a nice assortment of Canadian coins and  
medals for exhibition at the Museum, and a vote of thanks was extended  
Mr. McLachlan for his gift.

A vote of thanks was extended to the Committees who worked to make the A. N. A.  
Convention a success, as well as to the Memorial Art Gallery, the Rochester  
Ad Club and the Hotel Rochester.

Mr. Bauer made several suggestions with regard to our next winter's meetings,  
for the entertainment of the members, by having papers read, coins exhibited, etc.,  
also that a lunch be served.

Mr. Maunovry stated that he knew a number of boys who would like to attend  
a meeting of the R. N. A., boys whom he has interested in coin collecting,  
and suggested that the boys be invited to attend on some meeting night and  
that the members have some coins on hand to show them.

Meeting adjourned to September 18, 1917

Sigmund Handler

Secretary



Hotel Rochester

Tuesday, September 18, 1917

130th Meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association called to order by Vice President H. H. Yawger.

Members present: Messrs. Borradaile - L. G. Amberg - Tillotson - Maunovry - Horner - Bostwick - Yawger - Handler - Clarke - Plumb - W. H. Amberg - Woodbury - Koeb - Loizeau - French - Burling - Bauer - Gillette - Hicks - Crandall.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Applications for membership were made as follows:

Mr. Plumb presented Mr. R. C. Hicks of 1007 Monroe Avenue;  
Dr. French presented Mr. F. L. Crandall of 34 No. Clinton Street, this city.  
Both applications were referred to the membership Committee to report at next meeting.

Mr. L. G. Amberg reported that he and Mr. Bauer had rearranged the R.N.A. Exhibit at the Municipal Museum, in the new cases, and suggested that we try and better some of the old United States copper cents. Also that a specimen of the Widow's Mite be displayed, as inquiries are often made if this coin is on exhibition.

Upon motion made by Mr. Koeb, it was carried unanimously that our meetings be called at 8.30 o'clock.

Motion made by Dr. French and carried that a letter of thanks be sent to Mr. Wile, Mr. Little and Mr. Hale of this city (who are not members of the R. N. A.) for their subscriptions to help defray the expenses of the A. N. A. Convention.

The members were all pleased to welcome Mr. John Woodbury back into their midst, he having just returned from his summer home at Kennebunk Beach, Me., and looking and feeling fine.

Meeting adjourned to October 2, 1917.

Sigmund Handler

Secretary



Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, October 2, 1917

131st meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association called to order by  
Past President L. G. Amberg.

Members present: Messrs. Borradaile - L. G. Amberg - W. H. Amberg - Gillette -  
Stanley - Savage - Horner - Maunovry - Clarke - Burling -  
Handler - Woolsey - King - Tillotson - Crandall - Bauer -  
Simmonds- Franch - Bernstein.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The Committee on Membership reported favorably on the application of R. C.  
Hicks and F. L. Crandall and both gentlemen were duly elected to membership.

Bill for \$3.50 covering steel for this year's medal, rendered by Bastian  
Brothers, was ordered paid.

It was with a great deal of pleasure that the members heard read a number  
of letters from members of the A. N. A. who attended the Convention, telling  
the Rochester people what a fine time they had had and handing many bouquets  
to the R. N. A.

Meeting adjourned to October 16, 1917

Sigmund Handler

Secretary



Hotel Rochester,  
Tuesday, October 16, 1917

132nd meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association called to order by  
Vice President H. H. Yawger.

Members present:      Messrs. Yawger - Handler - W. H. Amberg - Crandall -  
                         Hicks - Plumb - Burling - Savage - Horner - L. G. Amberg -  
                         Stanley - Woodbury - Koeb - Borradaile - Clarke - Loizeau-  
                         Maunovry - Simmonds.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

A short account was given of a delightful automobile outing of the members of the R. N. A. with their wives, on Wednesday afternoon, October 10th. The party left Rochester about 1.30 P.M. and drove to Canandaigua, where they sat down and enjoyed one of Flanagan's famous dinners. It was a beautiful autumn day, and the fourteen who took the trip enjoyed every minute of it, arriving home about 7 P.M.

Mr. Merritt sent a specimen of the new design of 1917 quarter, and all agreed that it is a big improvement over the first design. ✓

A motion was made and carried that the Rochester Numismatic Association purchase a \$100.00 Liberty Bond.

Mr. Clarke had with him at the meeting an interesting display of coins and bills, which were for sale.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, November 6, 1917.

Sigmund Handler

Secretary



Hotel Rochester,  
Tuesday, November 6, 1917

133rd Meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association called to order by  
Vice President H. H. Yawger.

Members present: Messrs. Woodbury - Plumb - Horner - Maunovry - L.G. Amberg -  
Woolsey - Savage - Crandall - Burling - W. H. Amberg -  
Yawger - Handler - Bauer - Borradaile - King - Gillette -  
French.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Letter was read from Dr. Jeremiah Zimmerman, expressing his regret at being  
unable to attend the A. N. A. Convention and give an address, on account of  
being away at the time on a 10,000 mile journey.

Motion made and carried that the R. N. A. purchase the "Dictionary of  
Numismatic Names" by Albert R. Frey, published by the American Numismatic  
Society of New York, and place same in our library.

Motion made and carried that any member of this Association joining the  
army be exempt from the payment of dues and shall remain in good standing  
as long as he is in the U. S. Service.

Mr. King and Mr. Gillette exhibited their ~~collections of~~ rare Judaea Shekels,  
year 2 B.C., 143 - 135. Mr. King very kindly announced that he wished to  
have his Shekel placed with the R. N. A. Exhibit of coins at the Rochester  
Municipal Museum, feeling that on account of its rarity it would be of great  
interest to the public. ✓

There were also on exhibit at the meeting, three of the rare Libertas  
Americano Medals, owned by Messrs. W. H. Amberg, L. J. Woolsey, and Geo. J.  
Bauer, respectively.

Meeting adjourned to November 20, 1917.

Sigmund Handler

Secretary



Hotel Rochester

Tuesday, November 20, 1917

134th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association called to order by Vice President H. H. Yawger.

Members present: Messrs. Yawger - Koeb - L. G. Amberg - Woodbury - Plumb - Horner - Maunovry - Crandall - W. H. Amberg - Handler - Hicks - Bauer - Bostwick - Borradaile - Savage - Loizeau - Woolsey - Simmonds - Burling - Putnam - French - Bunnell -

Visitor present: Mr. W. J. Sunday.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Letter was received from Mr. W. J. Ballard, one of the oldest members of the R. N. A., tendering his resignation from membership, which was accepted with much regret.

Mr. Bauer urged the members to not forget the matter of improving our collection at the Municipal Museum, and hoped all the members would look over their coins and give duplicates for the R. N. A. exhibit. The Museum authorities are now arranging to have ten or more larger and better coin cases, having a much larger space for the exhibit, and Mr. Putnam, the Curator, wishes to be assured of just how many cases can be filled by our Association. We have now quite a large number in storage and it is hoped that at least ten cases can be filled.

Mr. Bauer also brought up the matter of the reading of short papers by the members at our meetings and volunteered to read a paper himself, to start the ball to rolling. Mr. Maunovry also consented to read a paper on Fractional Currency, and Mr. W. H. Amberg on Canadian Coins.

Dr. French presented the name of A. N. Wolff, 62 Cumberland Street, and his application was referred to the Membership Committee.

The following described \$1.00 bill was sent to the Young Men's Christian Association as a contribution to the War Fund by a poor woman of Cleveland, as a contribution by her mother, who had been treasuring it for fifty years, on account of its having been given to her son (who has been dead now for many years) on his first Christmas day: It is a Chicopee Bank bill, No. 1625, Springfield, Mass, Nov. 1, 1862, signed T. Warner, Jr., Cashier, F. A. Willey, President. The bill was put up at auction at the R. N. A. meeting, and brought \$30.00, which was turned over to the War Fund of the Y.M.C.A. in the name of the donor of the old note. The Rochester Numismatic Association will place the old bill with their collection at the Rochester Municipal Museum.

Numinations for Officers for the ensuing year being in order, the following were nominated:

Mr. Maunovry nominated H. H. Yawger for President

Mr. Woodbury " Dr. S. Handler for Vice President

Mr. Bauer " W. H. Amberg for Secretary

Mr. L.G. Amberg " C. T. Borradaile for Treasurer.

Election of officers will take place at next regular meeting.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, December 4, 1917.

Sigmund Handler,

Secretary



Hotel Rochester

Tuesday, December 4, 1917

135th Meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association called to order by Vice President H. H. Yawger.

Members present: Messrs. Woodbury - L. G. Amberg - Horner - Maunovry - Handler - Yawger - Crandall - Savage - Emerich - Koeb - Borradaile - W. H. Amberg - Hicks - Woolsey - King - Loizeau - Burling.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Mr. Koeb had on exhibition a proof of our 6th Anniversary Medal with portrait of President Fred E. Merritt. The proof portrait shows the same characteristic thoroughness as to detail, etc. displayed by Mr. J. A. Koeb in the cutting and designing of all our previous medals, and full credit is given to him for his ability.

The application of Mr. A. N. Wolff for membership in the R.N.A., presented at last meeting, was reported on favorably and Mr. Wolff was duly elected to membership in our Association.

Following applications for membership were presented by Mr. L.G. Amberg: Mr. Geo. A. Schug, 296 Avenue A, and Mr. Wm. F. Sunday, 49 Rialto Street. These were referred to the membership Committee for investigation.

Letter received and read, from Rev. Paul Moore Strayer, Chairman of the Y.M.C.A. War Fund Committee, thanking the R. N. A. for the \$30.00 realized from auction sale at our last meeting, of a \$1.00 Massachusetts State bank note.

The date of the Fifth Annual Dinner of the R. N. A. has been set for Tuesday evening, January 22nd, and Dr. Jeremiah Zimmerman of Syracuse ~~has~~ is to be asked to be the speaker of the evening.

Motion made and carried that a \$5.00 gold piece be presented to Miss Lorscheider in slight appreciation for per assistance given the Vice President during the past year.

Mr. Loizeau stated that upon inquiry at one of the Branches of our Public Library he found a good representative lot of books on numismatics. The library official very kindly furnished Mr. Loizeau a list of these books which will be filed with the Secretary, for reference and convenience of the members.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, December 18th.

Sigmund Handler

Secretary



Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, December 18, 1917

136th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association called to order by President Fred E. Merritt.

Members present: Messrs. Putnam - Yawger - Borradaile - Koeb - L. G. Amberg - Woodbury - Grandall - Maunovry - Burling - Sunday - Horner - Hicks - W. H. Amberg - Handler - Plumb - Savage - Bauer - Merritt - Loizeau - King - Gillette - Haringx - French.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The applications of Geo. A. Schug and W. F. Sunday, for membership in the R. N. A. were reported on satisfactorily and both gentlemen were duly elected.

Report of Treasurer C. T. Borradaile for the year 1917 was read by him, showing cash on hand at this time, of \$307.96, of which \$150.00 is invested in U. S. Liberty Bonds. The report was accepted and ordered to be placed on file.

The Secretary's report of proceedings of the R. N. A. for the past year was read, accepted and ordered placed on file.

A splendid enlargement of a photograph of the A. N. A. Convention last August, taken in front of the Memorial Art Gallery with a small camera, was presented to the R. N. A. by Mr. Foster C. Lardner of Providence, R. I., with his compliments. A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Lardner.

The Sixth Annual Dinner of the R. N. A. will be given at the Hotel Rochester on Tuesday evening, January 22, 1918. Dr. Jeremiah Zimmerman will deliver the same address he made before the American Numismatic Society of New York, his subject being "Luther and the Reformation in the Light of the Numismatic Monuments" and the Doctor assured the Committee that no man of whatever church need be afraid to be present. All the members of the A. N. A., their wives and friends are cordially invited to attend..

Election of Officers being next in order, on motion of Mr. Gillette the Secretary was ordered to cast one vote for:

H. H. Yawger,	President
Sigmund Handler,	Vice President
W. H. Amberg,	Secretary
C. T. Borradaile,	Treasurer

who were duly installed as officers for the ensuing year.

An auction sale of R. N. A. Medals, Gold Dollars, and Cents was held during the evening, Mr. Merritt acting as auctioneer.

Mr. F. B. King very kindly loaned the R.N.A. for their exhibit at the Rochester Municipal Museum, a McKinley Gold Dollar. 0

After the meeting the members present enjoyed a lunch given them by the outgoing officers.

Meeting adjourned to January 8, 1918.

Sigmund Handler  
Secretary



# ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

## Treasurer's Report for the year nineteen hundred seventeen.

Jan. 1st, 1917 Cash On Hand \$ 276 43

### Received during the year:

Dues	98 00	
Medals	114 75	
Interest	12 43	
Commission on auction sales	<u>10 00</u>	\$ 511 61

### Expenses

Postage	15 95	
Poster	10 75	
Mr. Murphy's Present	13 00	
Letterheads	7 50	
Bastian Bros. Co.	71 00	
Mr. J. A. Koeb	60 00	
Stamp and Pad	80	
Secretary's Book	4 50	
Membership Cards	2 00	
Express	65	
Subscription A.N.A.	10 00	
Dues A.N.A.	1 50	
Name in City Directory	1 00	
Stenographer	5 00	
Bond	\$50 00	
Bond	100 00	
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Secretary's Report for the Year ending December 18, 1917:

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On December 19, 1916 the Rochester Numismatic Association had on their membership roll five Honorary and fifty-one Active Members. During the year 1917 three of these members were dropped, one died, three resigned and eight new names were added, making the total membership at the time of this report, five Honorary and fifty-two Active Members.

At the meeting on December 19th, motion made by Mr. Woodbury and carried that the Secretary cast one ballot for the nominees for office for the ensuing year, and the following were elected:

F. E. Merritt, President,	H. H. Yawger, Vice President
Sigmund Handler, Secretary,	C. <del>W.</del> Borradaile, Treasurer
Executive Committee: Mr. F. B. King, Chairman	
W. H. Amberg,	G. P. French
G. J. Bauer,	E. L. Stanley

January 16 - The Fifth Annual Dinner of the Rochester Numismatic Association took place in the rooms of the Rochester Ad Club, Hotel Rochester, which were loaned the R. N. A. for the occasion, sixty-odd members with their wives and lady friends being present. The speaker of the evening was Dr. Jeremiah Zimmerman of the faculty of the Syracuse University, who ~~has~~ held his audience spellbound by his interesting talk on "World Wide Travels", and it goes without saying that the occasion was a most enjoyable one.

March 6 - Motion carried that one of the 1916 Anniversary Medals, showing the portrait of Mr. F. B. King, Past-President, be presented with the compliments of the R. N. A., to the following:  
The Rochester Municipal Museum - The American Numismatic Society of N.Y.  
and Dr. J. M. Henderson, of Columbus, Ohio.

April 17 - Mr. E. D. Putnam announced that he had been advised, through Mr. Hurdle, Superintendent of the Memorial Art Gallery here in Rochester, that the Board of Managers gladly gave their consent to our using the Art Gallery for the American Numismatic Association Convention to be held in Rochester August 25 to 29.

At this meeting, motion was carried that \$10.00 be sent to Mr. F. G. Duffield, Editor of The Numismatist, to help defray the expense of publishing an article by Mr. H. D. Allen of Boston, giving historical data on Confederate Paper Money, with illustrations.

June 5 - Upon suggestion of President Merritt, motion was carried that the R. N. A. purchase, with money in the Treasury, one \$50.00 U. S. Liberty Bond. At this meeting also, a selection was made of design for the A. N. A. Convention Badge and an order for 150 of them was given to the Bastian Brothers Company of this city.

July 12 - A most enjoyable automobile outing was indulged in by seventeen members of the R. N. A., covering about 130 miles, and a photograph of the party was taken at Willowbend Inn by Mr. Bunnell.

August 7 - Mr. W. H. Amberg reported that he had attended to having the names of the Rochester Numismatic Association, with officers names, place of meeting, etc., listed in the Rochester City Directory also in the blue book.



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The Annual Convention of the American Numismatic Association was held in Rochester on August 25th to 29th, with headquarters at the Memorial Art Gallery, the Proceedings of which were chronicled in complete detail in "The Numismatist" of October, 1917.

On September 4th, at the regular meeting, a report was read by Mr. Yawger covering expenses of the A. N. A. Convention, and it was found that all expenses were paid and something left over in the Treasury.

October 10 - Some of the members of the R. N. A., with their wives, enjoyed an automobile ride to Canandaigua, where they sat down to one of Flanagan's famous dinners, and the occasion was voted a great success by all present.

October 16 - At the meeting on this date a motion was made and carried that the Rochester Numismatic Association purchase a \$100.00 Liberty Loan Bond of the second issue.

November 6 - Motion carried that the R. N. A. purchase a "Dictionary of Numismatic Names" by Albert R. Frey, published by the American Numismatic Society of New York, and place same in our library for reference.

Motion was also carried that any of the members of the R.N.A. who joined the Army or Navy be exempt from payment of dues, and shall remain in good standing so long as they remain in the U. S. Service. Mr. King announced that he would loan his specimen of the rare Judaea Shekel for exhibit with the R. N. A. collection of coins at the Rochester Municipal Museum, feeling that on account of its rarity it would be of great interest to the public.

November 20 - The following described \$1.00 bill was sent to the Young Men's Christian Association as a contribution to the Y.M.C.A. War Fund by a poor woman of Cleveland, Ohio, as a contribution by her mother, who had been treasuring the bill for fifty years on account of its having been given to her son (who has been dead for many years) on his first Christmas Day. It is a Chicopee Bank bill, No. 1625, Springfield, Mass. Nov. 1, 1862, signed T. Warner, Jr., Cashier, F. A. Willey, President. The bill was put up at Auction at the R.N.A. meeting of November 20th and brought \$30.00, which was turned over to the War Fund of the Y.M.C.A. in the name of the donor of the bill. The Rochester Numismatic Association will place the old note with their collection at the Rochester Municipal Museum.

During the year 1917 the following additions have been made to the R. N. A. collection on exhibit at the Rochester Municipal Museum:

January 18 - 1916 Philadelphia Mint new style Quarter Dollar, also a 1917 Half Dollar, donated by Mr. F. E. Merritt.

Mr. G. J. Bauer presented his collection of Washington medals to the R. N. A. for the Museum Exhibit. This collection is composed of about 125 medals of all sizes, representing a fine general collection of Washington Medals, which it has taken Mr. Bauer a good many years to collect.



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- January 18 - Mr. Bauer also signified his intention of loaning the R.N. A. for their exhibit at the Museum, his entire collection of Chinese Coins, as soon as the City authorities provide a room and cases, properly safeguarded, where it will be safe to leave such a valuable collection.
- June 5 - The Year Book of the New York Numismatic Club was presented to the Rochester Numismatic Association.
- July 10 - A copy of list of members of the A. N. A., neatly bound in leather covers and stamped "R.N.A." in gold was received from the Springfield Coin Club. Both of the above books will be placed in our library.
- September 4 - Mr. Wood, of Hamilton, Ont., while attending the A. N. A. Convention, gave a nice collection of coins to the Rochester Municipal Museum.  
Mr. R. M. McLachlan of Montreal also presented a nice assortment of Canadian coins and medals to be placed in the R. N. A. collection at the museum.
- November 6 - Mr. King loaned his specimen of the rare Judaea Shekel of the year 2 B.C., to the R. N. A. for exhibit with their collection at the Rochester Municipal Museum.

Sigmund Handler

Secretary



To Honorable Hiram H. Edgerton, Mayor of Rochester, New York,  
At the last regular meeting of the Rochester Numismatic  
Association for this year it was unanimously resolved th t